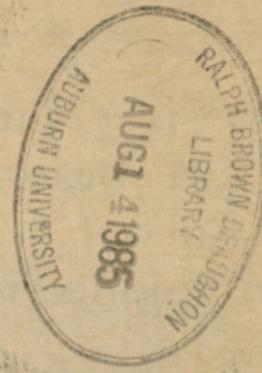


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## Looking at Auburn— An Update for Alums With Pres. Martin

By Kaye Lovvorn

In late July, President James E. Martin met with the *Alumnews* to talk about a potpourri of things of interest to Auburn alumni, beginning with the Eminent Scholars Bill, of which he can be said to be the father, because it was his idea which led to the Eminent Scholar program created by the Alabama Legislature.

"I'm certainly delighted that the legislature passed an Eminent Scholars bill, and I'm confident that it is going to permit all the universities to work with their alumni and businesses in the area with the ultimate goal of strengthening the academic expertise on Alabama campuses," said Dr. Martin. "I think it says something very positive about the priorities the state is placing on attracting and retaining outstanding scholars at our institutions of higher education."

On October 1, any state university will be eligible for \$400,000 to match \$600,000 that it raises in private support in order to endow a \$1 million chair. The money must be new money. For instance money given to Auburn for the recently-concluded Generations Fund does not qualify. On the morning of the day he talked to the *Alumnews*, Dr. Martin met with Alumni and Development directors to establish a method through which Auburn will seek \$600,000 for its first Eminent Scholar.

Before beginning to seek support for Auburn's first Eminent Scholar, President Martin has asked each dean to tell him a couple of areas in which an Eminent Scholar chair would have the greatest impact on Auburn programs and in the State of Alabama. He has also asked that they recommend alumni and friends who might be willing to help Auburn establish a chair in that area. Finally, he has asked Dr. Julian Holmes of the Alumni and Development Office to coordinate an effort to secure funds for the Eminent Scholar program.

"There is a great deal of discussion of what a revised tax code in this country might consist of and how that may affect gifts to universities," added President Martin. "We don't know what the revised tax code will be. We do know what it is now, and we may have an opportunity to assist individuals who are looking for a way to help higher education and also deal with their own tax problems. It may be much

more favorable to give this year than under the new tax code."

In other funding matters related to the legislature, Auburn is very interested in the special session to deal with an educational bond issue, originally slated for this summer and now scheduled for September.

In the most recent version of the bond issue, Dr. Martin explained, recommendations are made based on the full-time equivalent students enrolled on each state campus. "In the current bond issue—and this is subject to change—there is \$11.4 million for Auburn." He plans to use that money to remodel chemistry labs and classrooms, and then devote any left over to "safety and hazard problems related to asbestos in academic buildings."

Another Auburn need which might be aided by the bond issue is a library addition. Although there's not enough money in the bond issue to meet Auburn's library needs, Dr. Martin has been in contact with the Governor's Office and various legislative leaders, "requesting at least the consideration of adding \$5 million dollars to the bond issue, with the proposal being that if the governor would include it and earmark the \$5 million for the library, we would attempt to generate through private gifts a matching \$5 million. Then we would propose an increase in student fees to permit us to fund some bond indebtedness to essentially give us enough funds to double the size of the library."

A different building project currently being discussed at Auburn is the stadium expansion which has been postponed temporarily.

"The five bids we received for the east side expansion to the stadium exceeded the \$15 million budget the Board of Trustees had approved," explained President Martin. "Since the bids were so far above the budget, we rejected all bids. The architect, the university architect, and the athletic personnel are going over the plans to see if we can't develop a new set of plans that can be bid so that construction can begin after the last game this season."

The deadline for finishing the stadium has been extended for a year beyond the original 1986 opening game. "We know that deadline added significantly to the cost because the bids that we received included a lot of overtime—working six days a week, ten hours a day—it included extra supervision, extra equipment, all of which added to the cost," said Dr. Martin. "Our target date now for completion is Aug. 1, 1987. We're really going to miss having the stadium addition ready for the 1986 season,

but it was just going to cost too much to meet that deadline."

Another project eagerly awaited by football fans and alumni who look forward to visiting Auburn is the planned conference center and hotel. "We're still working to clear the property," Dr. Martin explained. "The university has been working for some time now with the lawyer for the four fraternities and until those negotiations are complete we can't tear the buildings down. We have run into another problem," President Martin continued, "in that the fraternity houses have asbestos in them and the asbestos has to be removed before we demolish the buildings."

Auburn currently has a study underway to determine how effective the academic standards are at the university and to recommend changes. At the same time, new NCAA rules affecting athletes are about to go into effect. Some observers have predicted that the rules will change college athletics in that many athletes will no longer qualify to enroll or maintain eligibility at universities. President Martin sees the NCAA rules as "moving in the right direction." He did say, however, that "one of the things that perhaps most people don't understand is that the satisfactory progress rule for the NCAA that will affect student athletes is more rigorous than that for the non-athlete student. Many students

can stay around eight years to complete a degree, but a student athlete would not be able to do that." As for Auburn's academic standards, President Martin said that so far he's only seen drafts of the new proposals. However, he doesn't feel that the standards would be anything current Auburn students couldn't cope with: "Auburn is very fortunate to have an outstanding student body, and certainly the students admitted to Auburn have the academic ability to deal with any of the standards that are being discussed."

The academic standings of Alabama schools of education have been much in the news in recent weeks, and Auburn's own education program has come in for criticism for inflated grades. "I doubt if that is any different here than at other institutions," Dr. Martin responded. "That's a national problem and I think one of the reasons the profession is receiving some of the criticism it is."

Dr. Martin went on to say that Education Dean Jack Blackburn and Academic Vice President Warren Brandt "have had any number of discussions about things that can be done here at Auburn to provide students who want a degree in education with the best education possible. I think the faculty at Auburn and the administra-

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IN APPRECIATION—Presenting checks to President James E. Martin are Gene Meadows, (left), 1984-85 president of the Auburn Arts Association and Conrad Ross, coordinator of the Alabama Works on Paper Project. The gifts are for use by the university in visual arts and for the visual arts collection at the Ralph Brown Draughon Library.

# Campus Roundup

## Hirth, Vives Named First C.A. Basore Professors of Chem Engineering

Leo J. Hirth and Donald L. Vives, two senior faculty members in the School of Engineering, have been named C.A. Basore Professors of Chemical Engineering. The professorships are supported by the Cleburne A. Basore Fund, established in the Department of Chemical Engineering to honor the late professor who founded the department in 1938 and headed it until his retirement in 1962.

Established through the bequest of his wife, Annie Elizabeth Terrell Basore, the fund is supported by an estate valued at more than a half million dollars, with first consideration given to scholarship needs of junior and senior students in good standing.

"Having filled that commitment fully, we have now turned to the fund's secondary purpose of supporting research projects, equipment needs, and in this case, faculty stipends," explained Dr. Robert Chambers, department head.

"The Basore Fund Administrative Committee looked at the past and present accomplishments of these two truly excellent teachers and found them eminently qualified to receive these professorships," he continued. "Their continued record of outstanding departmental and professional service and their activity in support of departmental research programs in oil reprocessing, computer-aided design, and other areas speaks to their qualifications as the first Basore professors."

Engineering Dean Lynn Weaver added that "Don Vives and Leo Hirth have long been a tremendous asset to the department of chemical engineering. We expect that during their three-year terms as Basore Professors we will see even more of a contribution to the department and its students."

Both Drs. Hirth and Vives are the recipients of the Halliburton Award for Outstanding Teaching for 1983-84 and both have been named as Outstanding Chemical Engineering Professor—Hirth in 1982, and Vives in 1984.

Dr. Vives is also current chairman of the Engineering School Faculty Council, chairman of the departmental scholarship committee, and was chairman in 1974 of the committee to develop a doctoral program in chemical engineering at Auburn University.

And both men have received the praise of former students not only in their role of teacher, but for their counsel as well.

Of Dr. Hirth, William A. Samuel, a former student now working for Dow Chemical, said:

"He expected a lot from his students: active participation in class, a heavy homework load. He always reciprocated, often spending many hours outside of class to insure that the student had mastered the subject matter. In addition, Dr. Hirth is



**FIRST BASORE PROFS**—Senior chemical engineering faculty members Donald Vives and Leo J. Hirth have been named the first Basore Professors of Chemical Engineering. Both have received outstanding

teaching awards and been named as Outstanding Chemical Engineering Professor of the year. From left are Dr. Vives, Dr. Hirth, engineering dean Lynn Weaver, and chemical engineering head Robert Chambers.

—Photo by Jim Killian

an outgoing, personable, and often humorous man. He clearly realized the importance of capturing a student's full attention, and did so in a genuinely delightful manner.

"His numerous contacts and broad industrial experience allowed him to stay in tune with a constantly changing profession, and provide the student with a clear insight into the real world of chemical engineering."

Terry Kirkley '57, now vice president of Exxon Co., U.S.A., said of Dr. Vives:

"He has always been the standard of excellent teaching performance. From my personal experience in his class to subsequent contacts with teachers elsewhere, he challenges the student, developing new problems designed to create maximum understanding. He never used old problems with easy answers. I still vividly remember taking a final examination under Don Vives and reading through the entire exam without seeing an immediate solution. I remember almost panicking until I remembered to think about each problem thoroughly—as I recall I received an 'A' on the exam. Subsequently, I have found many problems in which there is no obvious solution, so this initial experience with Vives has become an 'old friend'."

## Wilson Fills New AU Legislative Liaison Position

E.H. (Ham) Wilson '43 assumed the new position of director of governmental affairs for the Auburn system on July 15.

"Due to the increasing complexity of legislative issues involving the main campus and Auburn University at Montgomery, it is obvious that we need a full-time presence in Montgomery," said President James E. Martin in announcing the appointment.

"We are fortunate that Ham Wilson has just retired from the Alabama Cattlemen's Association and is available to work with us in setting up this new office. He is well-known throughout the state and has worked with the Legislature and other state government agencies for many years.

"Herb White, who has done an outstanding job working with the legislature and state agencies, along with his other duties as director of University Relations, will continue to assist with the program, but will not spend as much time in Montgomery. We will use a team approach to develop our legislative program and it will be Ham Wilson's responsibility to explain it to legislators and move it through the Legislature," Dr. Martin said.

In explaining that Mr. Wilson would serve as the primary liaison officer between the university and the various legislative units and agencies of state government, Pres. Martin said an office will be established at One Court Square in Montgomery and Mr. Wilson will continue to be a resident of Montgomery. Another major function of the office will be to work with the university's state-wide system of legislative committees to promote and explain the university's position on the local level.

Mr. Wilson recently retired as executive vice president of the Alabama Cattlemen's Association after 34 years of service. Under his leadership the beef cattle industry

became one of the state's largest and most important industries, a \$1.5 billion industry.

A native of Greenville, Mr. Wilson attended Georgia Military College and graduated from Auburn University in agricultural science in 1943. While a student at Auburn, he was business manager of *The Plainsman*. He served as a captain in field artillery during World War II.

Mr. Wilson was instrumental in organizing the Southeastern Livestock Exposition and has served as its executive director for 29 years. He was also founder and editor of the *Alabama Cattlemen's Magazine*. In 1967 he was named "Man of the Year" in service to Alabama agriculture by Pro-



E.H. (Ham) Wilson '43

gressive Farmer magazine. In 1979, Auburn University named the Livestock Judging Arena on the Auburn campus for him.

Mr. Wilson is a member of numerous organizations. He served as state chairman of the Alabama Heart Association's State Fund Drive in 1972-73. He is director of the Central Bank of Montgomery and a member of the Montgomery Rotary Club, Men of Montgomery, the Montgomery Country Club and the Capital City Club.

## Summer Enrollment Hits Record 8,608

More students are in school at Auburn this summer than ever before. The 8,608 people filling classrooms have topped the mark of 8,565 set in 1981. The sharpest increase came in the College of Education where enrollment is up 23.7 percent from last summer.

The highest enrollment is in engineering, with 1,789 students. Arts and sciences is second with 1,735. Business has 1,168; education, 763; architecture and fine arts, 664; agriculture, 248; home economics, 198; pharmacy, 99; veterinary medicine, 94; nursing, 92; and forestry, 59.

## Helmke To Head Language Dept.

Henry C. Helmke, associate professor of foreign languages, has been appointed Head of the Department of Foreign Languages at Auburn. Dr. Helmke, who has been at Auburn since 1959, was appointed acting head at the beginning of summer quarter 1984.

Dr. Helmke's specialty is German. He is a former director of the test center of the American Association of Teachers of German, has served as a consultant doing translation work for various companies in Alabama, including the Governor's Office, and as a consultant for Holt, Rinehart and Winston, publishers of the German textbook used at AU. He also has served as president of the Alabama Association of Foreign Language Teachers.

Dr. Helmke was instrumental in establishing the Vienna program for the department's Auburn Abroad series and was program director for the first Auburn-in-Vienna group in the summer of 1983.

He edited *Deutsch in Dixie*, a newsletter of the Alabama chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German from 1975-76. In 1980, he was one of 26 to be awarded a grant from the Goethe Institute to gather materials in Germany for classroom use.

The new department head holds the bachelor's and master's degrees from Duke University and the Ph.D. degree from Ohio State.

## Dr. Colburn Named AAAS Fellow for Contributions

Charles B. Colburn, who headed the Department of Chemistry from 1968 through 1984, has been elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He was cited for "excellence as an academic department head and industrial group leader, and for contribu-

tions to the field of fluorine chemistry, particularly nitrogen-fluorine chemistry."

Dr. Colburn's pioneering work in the area of nitrogen-fluorine chemistry has brought him several earlier honors including the Chemical Society (London) Centenary Lectureship Medal, the American Chemical Society Fluorine Division Award for creative work in fluorine chemistry, the Department of the Army Civilian Service Award, and a Certificate of Merit from the North Alabama Section of the American Chemical Society.

Dr. Colburn has published several papers concerning his research projects and he has lectured in England and Germany as well as at several conferences and universities in the U.S. Before coming to Auburn, he was a member of the Senior Scientists Steering Group for Rohm and Haas Redstone Research Laboratories in Huntsville.

## Henton Named Dean Of Home Economics

June M. Henton, associate dean of the College of Home Economics at Oregon State University, will become dean of the Auburn School of Home Economics when Dr. Ruth Galbraith retires in September.

A native of Oklahoma, Dr. Henton holds the bachelor's degree in home economics education from Oklahoma State University, the master's degree in child development and family relations from the University of Nebraska, and the Ph.D. degree in family social science from the University of Minnesota.

In addition to her duties as associate dean, Dr. Henton has been professor and head of the department of human development and family studies at Oregon State since 1979. Prior to that, she held positions on the faculties of Texas Tech University, the University of Minnesota, and East Carolina University. A graduate teaching assistant at both Southern Illinois University and the University of Nebraska, Dr. Henton began her teaching career as a vocational high school home economics teacher in Pawhuska, Okla.

Dr. Henton's research interests have been in families and work, premarital abuse, problem-solving behavior in families, premarital relationship development, and crisis adjustment patterns. Since 1971 she has been chief investigator for some 15 research grants, including a National Institute of Health Biomedical research grant assessing equity and rewards in intimate relationships.

This year she has been investigating family stress for the Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station. In 1984 she conducted research for the Oregon Children's Services Division on child abuse and neglect prevention; and in 1983 she directed a project on a cost of foster care.

In addition to numerous journal articles, Dr. Henton is co-author of *Hers and His: A Problem Solving Approach to Marriage* (1975), and *Current Perspectives on Family Violence* is in preparation. She is associate editor for the research section of the *Canadian Journal of Home Economics*, and a reviewer for the *Journal of Home Economics* and the *Journal of Family Issues*.

She has received a number of academic honors and awards, including membership



**ALUMNUS OF YEAR**—Auburn President James E. Martin, center, has been named Alabama 4-H Alumnus of the Year. Cecil Mayfield, state 4-H leader, and Ann Thompson, dean and director of the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service, presented the award during the Alabama 4-H Club Congress.

in honorary societies Omicron Nu, Phi Kappa Phi, and Sigma Xi. She was awarded a Mortar Board Teaching Excellence Award from the Texas Tech chapter and was recipient of a University of Minnesota College of Home Economics Fellowship for full-time pursuit of graduate studies.

In addition to service on national, regional, and state committees, Dr. Henton has been active on numerous committees at the university, college and department level. She has been media consultant on the topic of premarital abuse to members of the press in the United States and Canada, including the Phil Donahue and Today shows. She has served as consultant and lecturer to private and public agencies on child abuse, specific student concerns and family issues.

Dr. Henton is married and has two children.

## Transportation Program Gets SE Top Award

The transportation and physical distribution program in the Department of Marketing and Transportation has been named the Outstanding University Transportation Program in the Southeast for 1985-86. The program received the award from the Southeastern Transportation and Distribution Seminar.

James W. Adams oversees the program, which averages between 40 and 60 majors and includes the equivalent of three full-time faculty members. "More than 20 percent of our gross national product is now spent on transportation," explains Prof. Adams. "We teach students the financial and economic analysis techniques to help make the distribution of goods most efficient." The techniques include storage, warehousing, order processing, and packaging as well as transportation by rail, air, truck, or other means.

The organizations making up the Southeastern Transportation and Distribution Seminar which presented the award to Auburn include the National Council of Physical Distribution Management, Association of Transportation Practitioners, American Society of Transportation and Logistics, Atlanta Chapter of Delta Nu Alpha, Northeast Atlanta Traffic Club, Atlanta Maritime Association, Transportation Club of Atlanta, East Georgia Traffic Club, and Atlanta Women's Transportation Association.

## Half of Army Officers Picked for Program Choose to Study At Auburn

Five of the twelve Army officers selected by the Army to prepare for West Point positions this year have chosen to enroll in Auburn's counselor education program this summer. Another will enroll in January. The five, all captains and West Point graduates, were given a choice of more than 150 colleges and universities offering counseling or related degrees when selected for the assignment.

The officers chose Auburn "in part" because it is one of two programs in the nation "highly recommended" by the Army in counselor education. Dr. Mark E. Meadows, head of the Counselor Education Department, said the Army rating is based on Auburn's past performance and the performance of its graduates under the program. For several years Auburn has had one or two students from the Army. The college student development program leading to a master's consists of 72 credit hours of advanced study, including internship. The Army officers serve their internships in their posts as unit tactical officers at West Point, where they are evaluated by Auburn and West Point faculty.

# Points & Views

Here and There—

## Three Vital Questions

By Jerry Roden, Jr. '46

In the aftermath of first the TWA hostage crisis in Beirut, Lebanon, and then President Ronald Reagan's surgery, several representatives of the various news media have engaged in some public examination of their performance upon these occasions and of their general modes and philosophies of operation. On the whole, despite a note of smugness here and there from an occasional representative of one medium or another, this process of self-examination has appeared sensitive, thoughtful, wholesome, and promising.

However, as I sit down to write this column, the general round of public forums and published essays on freedom of the press, responsibilities of the press, and performance of the press apparently have ceased for the present and seem unlikely to return until another crisis or tragedy of unusual national and international import and impact comes along. If that is the case, it is indeed unfortunate, for all of the critical questions on press performance remain unresolved and some of them essentially untouched.

Throughout the remainder of this column I propose to confine discussion basically to one news medium—television—and to three vital issues in television news coverage. However, before proceeding to some pointedly critical comments, I wish to set forth quite clearly some points essential to qualify what comes hereafter: First, I choose television not out of a particular animosity, but because it is the most powerful news medium as a result of its dual appeal to eye and ear and because a combination of indolence and inadequate education makes it the sole source of essential information for untold millions of Americans. Second, most of the criticisms I have to offer apply to all other sources of news and opinion in about equal measure—so that television becomes primarily the concrete example for discussing the shortcomings of American journalism generally. Third, despite its shortcomings, I consider American journalism among the finest in the world or in the history of the world. Therefore, I favor no legislative, executive, or judicial efforts whatsoever to curb, restrict, or inhibit the operation of a free press working under current interpretation of the First Amendment. The desired—and perhaps essential—reformation must come from the press itself under no pressure except that of its own collective conscience and the demands of a more responsible constituency—a free public aroused more fully to its democratic obligations.

The first of the vital issues I wish to raise is that of the individual's right to privacy versus the public's right to know. As I see it, the individual's right to privacy takes precedence during times of great apprehension for the safety of a family member, during periods of mourning, during extreme suffering from accident or disease, and during the time of every man's death and his journey to his final resting place. Usually, the public gains nothing of value from intruding upon private scenes of anguish, sorrow, and death. Yet, the appearance of grieving faces upon our television screens is a common occurrence, and the parade of the draped and undraped bodies of the victims of accident, terrorism, war, and natural disaster has become virtually endless.



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import and impact comes along. If that is the case, it is indeed unfortunate, for all of the critical questions on press performance remain unresolved and some of them essentially untouched.

Upon rare occasions the public interest may be served in some measure by our journalistic voyeurism: The intense coverage of President Reagan's surgery probably will prompt many of us to secure the routine medical examinations that we too often neglect. And the extensive coverage of Rock Hudson's tragic illness probably has created some desirable increased concern about the terrible disease from which he reportedly suffers. But even in such cases, I must raise questions: Would these two cases have not brought the same results with considerably less invasion of each man's right to privacy? With all its resources for dramatic presentation, could television not have conveyed the same urgent message about these dread illnesses without personal reference—even prior to the President's surgery and Mr. Hudson's collapse?

Even if the answer to my questions here should prove demonstrably negative—an outcome that I sincerely doubt—I still have to question the public's right to intrude upon the privacy of the President and Mr. Hudson to the extent that we have. Election to high public office, achievement of stardom in acting or athletics, or other superior attainments do not—or, at least, should not—strip the individual of the most basic rights to privacy. And I speak here not merely upon behalf of such individuals but upon behalf of us all: The moment we begin justifying the deprivation of an inalienable right for any man, we set in motion a process for denying upon one ground or another a similar deprivation for all men.

The second vital issue which I wish to raise is that of selectivity. All the commercial news media, and especially television, tend to concentrate upon a selected specific crisis in process and thus to neglect other crises occurring at the same time, impending debacles, and areas of chronic repression and deprivation. For example, for a time we received saturation coverage of the terrible plight of the starving in Ethiopia and almost adequate information about a similar tragedy in Sudan, but only a passing mention of the fact that the people of more than twenty other African nations face similar disasters.

In the same vein, we are receiving at this moment daily barrages on the unquestionable evils of apartheid and on the consequent unrest in South Africa. But the communist ravaging of Afghanistan continues apace with only an occasional mention by some thoughtful analysts seeking to encourage their profession to a more comprehensive approach. We could multiply examples enough to fill several columns, but the two offered should suffice to set each reader to compiling his own extended list.

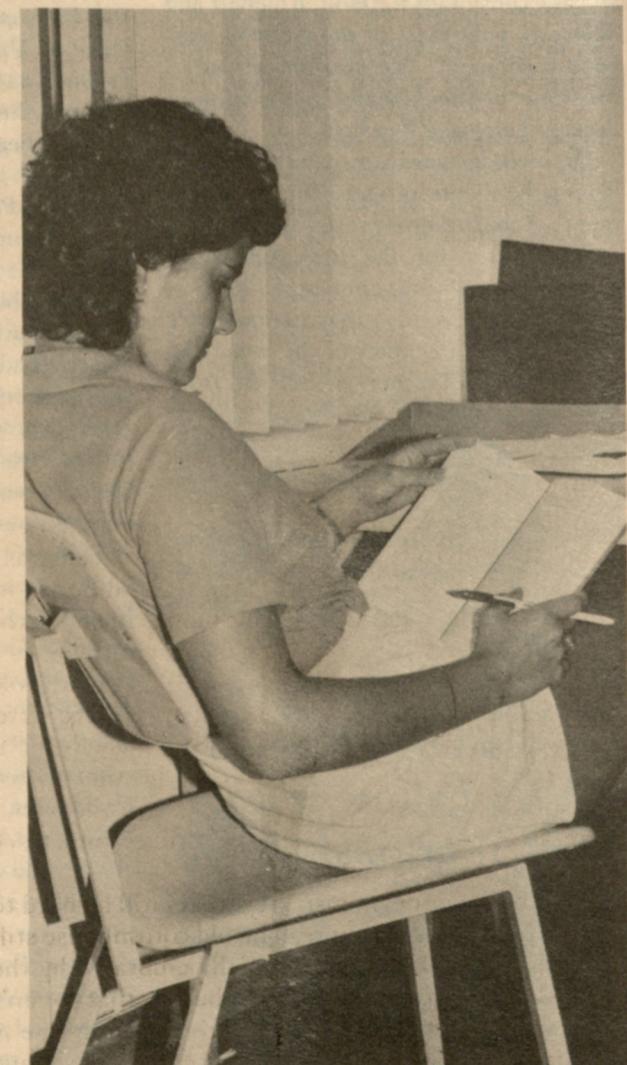
The final vital issue which I wish to raise is that of depth and balanced perspective. All too frequently cameras focused narrowly upon some dramatic action—often one carefully staged for the purpose—impart a distorted or totally inaccurate message: Every cause and every country possess an adequate supply of rabble rousers, and cameras narrowly focused on a few hundred of these in a well-staged show of burning flags and shouting murderous slogans can misrepresent the sentiments of an entire nation. And more often than not commentators fail to put such dramatic action footage in proper perspective. Even worse than that, journalists sometimes do not know enough to provide perspective to the events their cameras cover.

All of our major networks seem prosperous enough to afford several on-the-spot experts for all the major nations and at least one resident expert for every country in the world. With that capability and with access to a host of great scholars and scientists at various American universities, no major network

has an excuse for presenting coverage of any significant event unsupported with the in-depth background information essential for a sound balanced interpretation. Therefore, the failure in the TWA hostage crisis to maintain a consistent distinction between Israeli prisoners of war and terrorist hostages appears inexcusable—and that is just one specific example of the defect which concerns me, an example that any one of us can with a little thought multiply many times.

Such errors should not occur, simply because our news media possess the capacity for keeping us well informed about the entire world around us and about all the significant events which occur therein. Furthermore, television enjoys the special capability of bringing the entire world into our homes in living color and form. We should request and receive just that—and nothing less—instead of the sometimes distorted fragments we now get.

In leveling the foregoing criticism at the media generally and television in particular, I am well aware that I am taking to task many devoted men and women who possess far greater knowledge of the world and of news events than I. Furthermore, I realize that many of those men and women have achieved a wisdom higher than any I can ever attain. Nevertheless, I believe the criticism not only just but essential. However, in all fairness, I must admit that the defects noted herein lie as much at the door of the consumer as that of the producer. To receive news coverage and commentaries of the highest excellence, we the people must improve our taste and manners; request civility, depth, and balance; and show a proper appreciation of excellence when it is attained. Of course, being human, our free journalists can never achieve perfection, but a vast improvement seems not only attainable but also necessary for the survival of democracy and a free press.



—Photo by Ruth Schowalter

## There's Nothing Sadder Than an Abandoned Field

By Bob Sanders '52

An abandoned field looks sad. You take the Ridge Field. It was in cultivation since long before I can remember, probably since before Daddy could remember. I say "field." A lot of big-time, mechanized farmers would laugh at that designation; they couldn't even get one of their hundred-thousand-dollar tractors turned around in it. But of all the fields and patches we had scattered around on the hillsides and in the little creek bottoms, it was the biggest one, about five acres. Sneer if you will, but to a skinny young' un with a hoe, or with a mule and a Georgia stock, it looked mighty big.

It occupied the end of a ridge. It was relatively flat, compared to some of our other fields, but the ground sloped sharply away on three sides, to little gullies with wet-weather streams on the north and south sides, and (very sharply) to the creek bottom on the east side. Back to the west was the orchard and barn and house, with a few patches along the way.

It wasn't flat enough to not require terraces, though. It had three long, roughly horseshoe-shaped terraces that started and ended near the cottonhouse, that stood on slightly higher ground at the west side of the more-or-less rectangular field. The contour of the ground and the terraces that followed it caused many rows to be long, long, long. I sometimes thought maybe I'd expire, perish away, depart from this orb, before I'd ever chop to the other end.

Then there'd have to be a lot of short rows, too, which guaranteed that a whole bunch of young stalks would be trampled by old Bill or Hat with all the turning required.

It was not my favorite place to work, not that I was that tickled to work in any field, but, at least, in the field across from Aunt Lessie's you could see cars going by once in a while, and you could run across the road and get a cold biscuit from Aunt Lessie's warming closet and a drink of cool well water, and maybe sit in her nice breezy dogtrot for a moment, 'til old Hat started eating the little cornstalks.

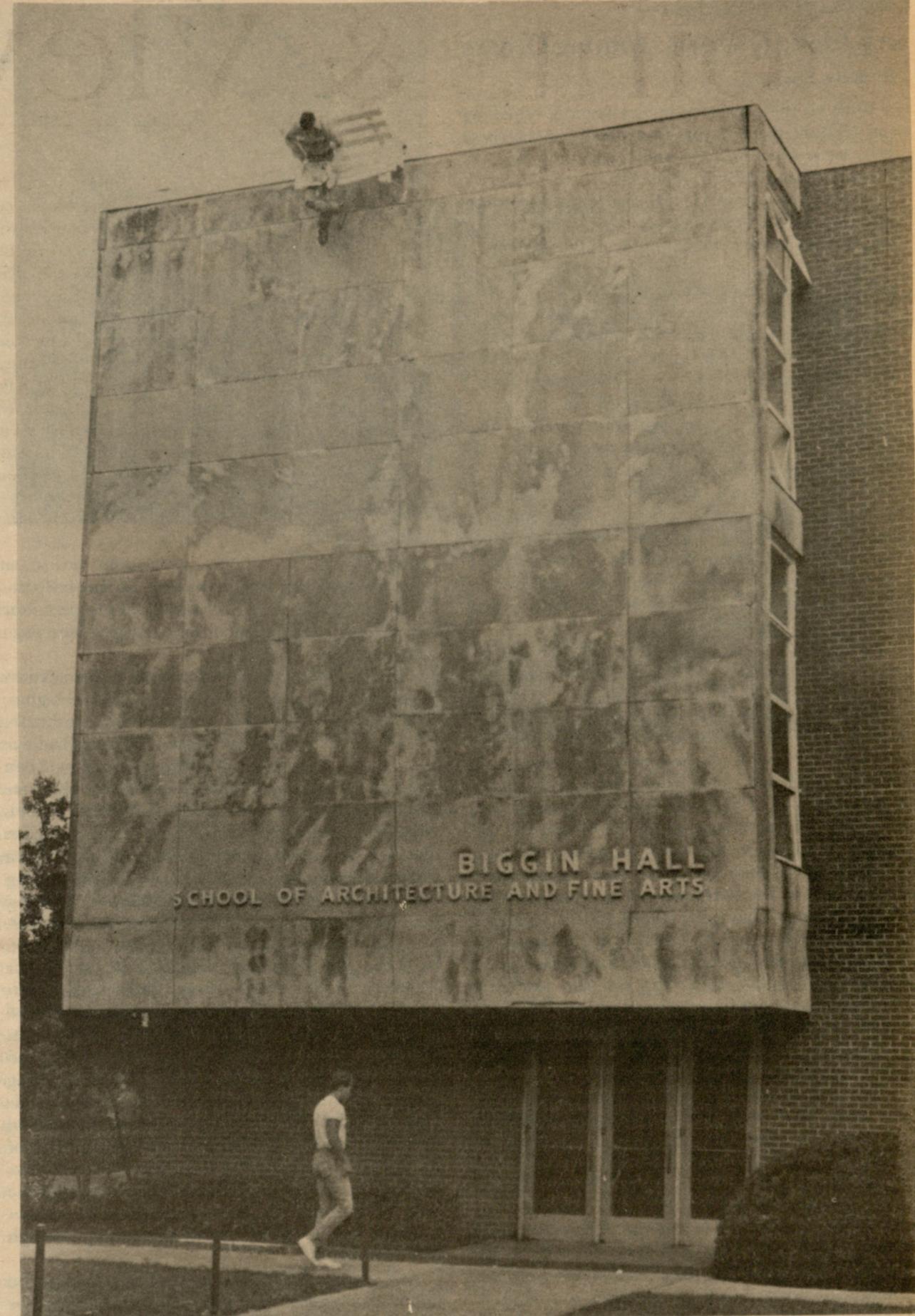
But out at the Ridge Field, you didn't see anybody, unless somebody was working with you. Just trees all around. The ends of the rows were hard and rocky, and there was one little place next to the edge of the field on the north side where the water would stand after a rain, and it'd always be either wet or baked there. But most of the field was pretty good soil. We'd rotate corn and cotton, corn one year, cotton the next.

Sometimes old Bounce would chase rabbits around the field as I plowed, making the woods ring with his barking, but, most of the time he dozed in the shade as I sweated. He was a thoroughly worthless dog, but he was mine.

After we left the nest, Daddy made the old Ridge Field into a *Progressive Farmer* cover picture pasture. It was a beautiful sight to see his plump cows and steers leisurely grazing the lush, tender grass. They were like pets (except for the Wild Bunch he had that time), and they'd come lumbering up to the pickup to see what goodies he'd brought them.

He sold them not long before he died, and the old Ridge Field started reverting to its primitive state, slowly but inexorably. Momma let somebody cut it off for hay a time or two, and my brother-in-law bush-hogged some of it a few times. But the woods are creeping in. Pine seedlings are getting thick around the edges, and spreading....

And, I imagine, in just a few years it'll be hard to tell a field was ever there. The old cottonhouse still stands on the knoll, still partially embraced by the huckleberry bushes on one side, bushes that haven't grown an inch in 40 years. But the cottonhouse is failing fast, as they say. Vines and briars have climbed inside it, among the tattered pieces of old



HARD TO FIND A PLACE TO STUDY—Art students in Biggin Hall decided to make the space crunch at Auburn graphic.

—Photo by Mike Lennon

fertilizer sacks and little bits of wire and maybe a plow point or two. It's barely holding on.

It was to the Ridge Field that Grandma went to get Daddy to tell him he might ought to get on home, that I was about to be born. That's where he'd let me ride old Dan as he plowed him, and where I used to take him quart Mason jars of cold water; and where, as a toddler, I sat in the middle of an ant bed and got almost et up by them, 'til he came a-runnin' and got them all brushed off; and where I was the only one who got stung when we robbed the wasp nests in the cottonhouse; and where I plowed and hoed and chopped and picked and pulled eleventy jillion miles around those circling rows, yelling at old Hat and Bill loud enough to be heard clear across Yellow Creek Bottom, I guess. They deserved every bad word I said to them, too.

I used to see mirages in the Ridge Field. I'd picture frosted malted milks and belly washers, and double dips of Perry's Pride ice cream. I'd gripe a lot to the

gods who cast me down in the Ridge Field to slave my young life away. Why couldn't I have been born in town, near the drugstore?

Why me, Lord?

But from a safe distance away, I can look back with almost fond memories at what seemed like endless hours in the old Ridge Field. I can even ache a little as I see it gradually disappearing....

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## An Identity Crisis, Among Others

By Kaye Lovvorn

With all the construction, destruction, remaking and redoing that's going on around campus these days, we're all confused—and occasionally lost. As President James Martin remarked in an *Alumnews* interview, "the campus is torn up" in the process of changing Auburn's utilities systems, preparing for the addition to the stadium, renovating engineering facilities, and the constructing of the ROTC Building and the new civil engineering building.

One no longer starts to the other side of campus without a plan, and frequently must improvise en route. Those of us who've been here 20 years are discovering areas of the campus we either forgot existed or never knew were here. In the past, all we had to fight was traffic—now it's open ditches, mud, bulldozers, closed roads, cement trucks, and buildings and grounds dictators hauling signs around to block you in motion. If all else fails, they lie in wait until you're in reverse and moving before rushing their truck to the one spot that cuts you off and—while you fume, waste time and gas, and increase the market for blood pressure medicine—they survey the countryside, discuss the weather, and move their signs back and forth a few times.

And though walking may normally be good to reduce blood pressure, it's not the answer here, particularly if your destination is the library. That people have even managed to reach it on certain days is a tribute to the tenacity (or foolhardiness) of the Auburn spirit that leads them to jump ditches, wade through mud, and clatter over precariously makeshift bridges. And once in the building, the inside noise from the air-conditioning renovation and the outside noise from machines crunching through concrete and asphalt can make them regret their impulsiveness. But if the rest of us aren't, at least *The Plainsman's* having fun with all this, as President Martin observed. And we'll all be glad when the upheaval is over—and not initially for the savings on the campus utility bills nor for the aesthetic improvement of buried power and phone lines. So if you're visiting before order is restored in the fall, be forewarned. No matter where you're headed on campus, you can't get there from here.

For more details about what's happening on campus these days both academically and physically, check out Dr. Martin's comments in the story on page 1. Mike Lennon's photo spread on pages 16 and 17 will give you more insight on the physical aspects. Mike, a journalism senior who's interning with *The Alumnews*, is a Marine in disguise. A farm boy from Chicago and South Dakota (I keep meaning to ask him how that is possible), Mike picked Auburn when the Marine Corps decided to send him to college. A couple of quarters ago, he took Jerry Brown's photo-journalism class and discovered a new love, and now he's an avid photographer and photo editor of *The Plainsman*.

As regular readers know, browsing in Ralph Brown Draughon Library—despite any obstacles I might encounter there or on the way—is one of my favorite ways to escape the workaday world. On an excursion to the third floor a couple of months ago, I picked up a book on self-management, and flipping through the first few pages came across a series of familiar names—Bill Holley, Junior Feild, Art Bedelian, Bill Giles, Kevin Mossholder—on the acknowledgements page, where they were being thanked for their support and ideas by the author, who is on the faculty at the University of Minnesota.

As any recent graduate in management knows, those named are all members of that department. They and fellow members of the management faculty recently have been getting attention for the quality of their program and for their high productivity as authors of textbooks and articles in professional journals. The newest activity in the Management Department is the Excellence in Management



Anita Stiefel '85

program, which is well underway. To meet department head Bill Holley—who is also a frequenter of the library—and several of his colleagues, see page 18.

Back in December we announced our first four-year *Alumnews* graduate when Mary Ellen Hughes, who began work here as a first quarter freshman, completed her journalism degree. Then we had our first totally *Alumnews* wedding when Mary Ellen and Sam Hendrix were married in March. In June we had our second four-year graduate in Anita Stiefel, who always managed to have more things going on than any two other students. Fall will bring Anita back to Auburn. But not, alas, to us. She'll be joining the Speech Department as a graduate teaching assistant rather than contributing her considerable, well-organized talents to *The Alumnews*. It's been hard for me to realize that because two other members of the staff—Cheryl Duke and Karen Price—who've also been gone since June, will be coming back to us in September, that Anita won't. Not only will *The Alumnews* miss Anita's good work and her reliability, but I'm going to miss having someone understand when I mention Fyffe, Geraldine, or Rainsville. Not that Anita's a fellow Sand Mountaineer—she's from that wild valley town of Ft. Payne—but she comes from good stock and has dozens of relatives on the Mountain. Anita, sure you won't reconsider and become the first *Alumnews* graduate who's worked for us all the way through graduate school?

And speaking of *Alumnews* staff, it's time we also talked about some other folks who've joined us—or come back to save us. The newest members of the *Alumnews* staff, in addition to Mike Lennon, mentioned above, are Dan Shell and Stacey Simmerson. Dan, an avid softball player and referee, joined us in June and under Mary Mason's tutelage, quickly became an experienced member of the staff. (Mary now has seniority, having joined us following her freshman year, and luckily she'll be with us through this year, before she pursues a career in historic preservation.) Dan's previous working experience includes oil barges and computers, but since he's been an *Alumnewser* he's been pursuing stories on fisheries and educational television. His story about the current work on an Auburn Television film that focuses on Alabama history beginning with the arrival of DeSoto and moving through the Trail of Tears starts on page 7.

Stacey Simmerson is another new member of the staff and between her activities as student president of Sigma Delta Chi—the Society of Professional Journalists, her course work, the *Plainsman*, and *The Alumnews*, she's vying for the Anita Stiefel Award as the busiest person around. You'll find her story about the new Friends of Music on page 14.

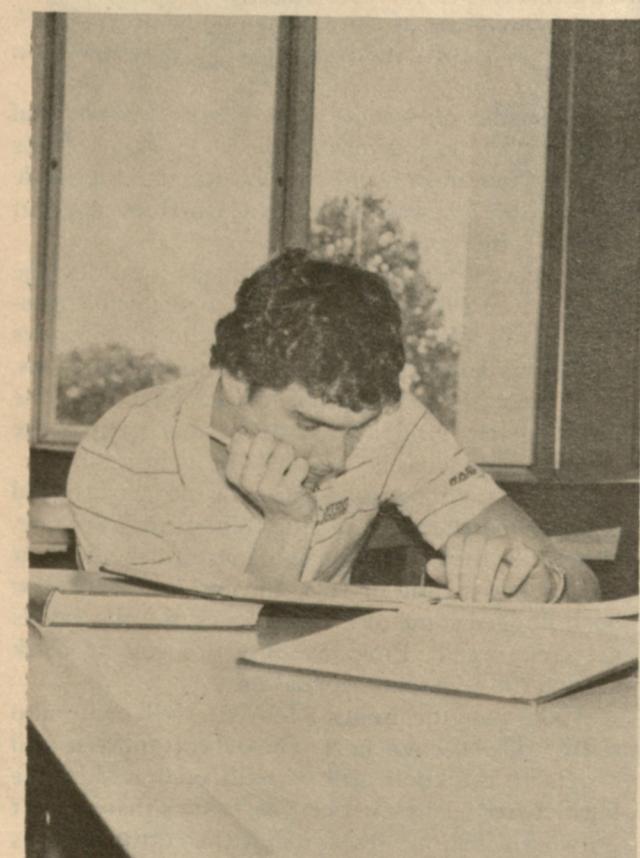
Karen Price, who was the newest member of the staff when she left in June, is spending the summer at home in Huntsville, where she finished an article on one of her favorite professors—Dr. Curtis Ward of the Chemistry Department. During her freshman year, Karen fast learned that, alas, some Auburn professors prefer research to teaching. Not so with Dr. Ward. Meet him on page 12.

Also spending her summer working in Huntsville is Cheryl Duke, who as an engineering student is in her first quarter of co-oping. Cheryl adds a scientific input to the liberal arts proclivities of the *Alumnews* staff, not to mention a lot of hard work. She came to us last September to give the editor some much needed secretarial assistance, and before the year was out was writing *Alumnalities* with the rest of us. Who knows, she may be into features this fall.

Several times since she left the staff officially, Ruth Schowalter has not only contributed excellent features to the *Alumnews* but has pitched in at moments of crisis. In this issue, Ruth writes about Luckie Meagher, who came to Auburn in the Twenties looking for a husband—and found one—and stayed on to influence the community for the next fifty-five years. Ruth also introduces us to one of Auburn's visiting scholars, mechanical engineering professor Guanghan Zhu from China's Hunan University, who in the darkest days of the Chinese Revolution encouraged himself with a line from Longfellow's "Psalm of Life." Meet Mrs. Meagher on page 10 and Prof. Zhu on page 12. And thanks, Ruth.

To read about Prof. Zhu's life in China makes us doubly thankful for the stability of our own. Recently a group of Auburn alumni, led by Pat Brackin, tour coordinator of the Alumni Association, had an experience that reminded them, too, of the luck of being born American. In June they visited Russia and several Eastern Bloc countries on a special Passage of the Czars tour. In addition to absorbing a wealth of information about foreign cultures, they learned again the many freedoms we Americans take for granted. And, of course, they made many friends as is always true on alumni trips. Pat talks about their adventures on page 15.

Auburn has been hosting travel programs since the early Seventies and all alumni and friends who've traveled on an alumni excursion are going to have a special reunion on November 2. Travelers will be getting more details on the activities planned later from Pat, who as the *Alumnews* goes to press is in South Carolina for the wedding of a couple who met on the trip to Russia.



—Photo by Ruth Schowalter

# Features

## Sounds, Sights of Spanish Invasion, Trail of Tears, & Horseshoe Bend Fill New ETV Film Now in Production

By Dan Shell '87

Unfamiliar sounds and sights in the forest. The clunk of horse hooves over Indian trails is followed by a glimpse of armor shining in the sun. Spanish voices echo through the trees, sending birds into flight. The year is 1540, and the Spanish explorer Hernando De Soto has arrived in Alabama.

Today all that remains of De Soto's journey through Alabama are historical records and artifacts. But soon, through the eyes of Auburn Television, one can see the devastation of a young Spanish soldier in the jungles of southwest Alabama and the awe of an Indian brave upon seeing his first armored horseman.

Now in production, *First Frontier* is the sequel to Auburn Television's multi-award winning *Lost in Time*, and is headed by producer Maryanne Culpepper and co-producer/director Bruce Kuerten. Kuerten, director of both projects, says, "This film will be altogether different from *Lost in Time* in that we will have scenes with dialogue portraying actual historical events. In *Lost in Time* the main "characters" were actually artifacts and techniques used by the Indians, for there is no written history detailing Indian life before the white man came. For *Lost in Time* all we had to go on were archaeological finds and research by historians. In *First Frontier* we will be able to research historical records to find out,

for example, exactly what De Soto looked like, and what equipment his men carried."

The film can be described in three parts, the first being the Indians' initial confrontation with the Spanish in 1540, the second detailing the Indians' contacts with French and British explorers and traders, and the final part portraying contacts with American settlers, culminating in Andrew Jackson's historic battle at Horseshoe Bend and the Indian Removal Act of 1832. *First Frontier* will not show De Soto's complete expedition or cover the whole 300-year time span.

"What we will attempt to do," explains Mrs. Culpepper, "is to seize historical moments in time, portray them as accurately as possible, then convey to our audience the importance of these events and the results and consequences that followed."

One highlight of the film will be the re-creation of the mysterious battle of Mabila, in which De Soto clashes with the Indiana chief Tascalusa. This historic battle was one of the biggest Indian-white man confrontations fought in North America, with estimates of 40 Spanish soldiers and 3,500 Indian warriors killed. The mystery surrounding the battle of Mabila stems from the fact that no one knows exactly where it took place. Most historians agree on southwest Alabama along one of the rivers leading into Mobile, but the actual location has never been pinpointed. Somewhere in Alabama lie the lost bones and armor of some 3,500 men under the river silt and terrestrial changes of 445 years.

Right now the crew—consisting of Culpepper, Kuerten, associate producer Nondas Voll, associate director John DiJulio, production designer Andersen Luster '84, production artist Dennis Causey '82, technical director Tom Causland '82, and costume designer Rita Hudson—are all hard at work on the scripts and sets for *First Frontier*. Two huge dirt mounds, complete



CHECKING IT OUT—Co-producers of Auburn Television's latest film *First Frontier* Maryanne Culpepper and Bruce Kuerten look over an arrowhead to be used as a prop. The film follows the award-winning *Lost In Time*, also produced by the two Auburn ETV staffers, which will show on public television on Sept. 24 at 9 p.m.

with thatched huts built to historical specifications, are already finished and waiting for the shooting to start.

In a project of this size each crew member assumes an important role. Once the producers and directors decide on what to portray, the crew flies into action. Production artist Dennis Causey has to draw story-boards, each picture showing scene-by-scene action as the camera rolls. Production designer Andersen Luster turns the costumes and props pictured in these scenes into workable models and exact replicas. For example, Luster will vacuum-form the helmets that the Spanish soldiers wear throughout the film. Costume designer Rita Hudson transforms the models into reality, building such detailed costumes as the Indian chief Tascalusa's turkey-feathered cape and the chain mail worn by the Spaniards. Tom Causland functions as construction crew foreman, assigning workers to larger projects such as hut building and wall construction at the shooting locations. He also makes sure all construction proceeds on schedule.

Nondas Voll helps coordinate set construction and procurement of materials. She also works on the slide shows of *First Frontier* that will be available to public schools and state and national parks. Associate director John DiJulio oversees off-camera movements on location, such as getting props and actors in place for the next shot. Director Bruce Kuerten is the man behind the camera, working to get the best angle and perspective for each scene. He's also writing the script for *First Frontier*. Maryanne Culpepper, in her own words, "functions as administrative catch-all." She is also involved in obtaining grant money and controlling the budget.

Included in the crew are five student workers: Dickie Palmer, Ben Shell, Scott Gardner, Stacy King, and the aforementioned Rita Hudson. They function in a wide range of capacities and do everything from driving nails to building lances to thatching roofs. Two other students, Melanie Kell and Don Davino, are completing internships with educational television.

Mrs. Culpepper, recalling the research put into set design, adds, "It's really great for us at the university to be able to call an expert right here on campus for advice on exactly how our props should look and in what context they should be used and portrayed." The crew has solicited information from experts in the Archaeology, History and Geology Departments here at Auburn, and received, as Mrs. Culpepper says, "Nothing but great cooperation and advice."

One of the consultants for *First Frontier* is Dr. John Cottier of the Anthropology Department. His work in anthropology is invaluable to the crew of *First Frontier*. He reads scripts to check for discrepancies and also provides artifacts to use as props. Interviewed in his bone-laden office, Dr. Cottier explained, "In reading scripts the main purpose is to keep the writers from going 'too Hollywood.' There is a fine line to walk between historical accuracy and television drama; I just help them walk that line." About providing props, Dr. Cottier adds, "ATV used a few axes and pieces of pottery for *Lost in Time*. For *First Frontier* we will provide lances and bows along with more pottery, beads, etc."

"We feel this situation is perfect for us," Kuerten adds, "the combination of our fine staff and top-notch studio equipment, along



PLASTER PROGRESS—Tom Causland '82 fashions plaster of Paris molds to be used by ATV in a new vacuum-form process when making costumes.

—Photo by Dan Shell

with the potential research resources at Auburn make us highly competitive in the public television industry." The truth of Kuerten's statement is backed up by the host of awards *Lost in Time* won. The awards won by the film study of prehistoric cultures include the Southeastern Educational Communications Association's John R. Haney Award for Best Public Television Program; the Ohio State Award, "honoring excellence in educational, informational and public affairs broadcasting;" and the prestigious Council on International Nontheatrical Events Golden Eagle Award, "the highest award given to a non-theatrical film in the United States." *Lost in Time* will air on national public television this fall on Tuesday, Sept. 24, at 9 p.m.

Meanwhile back at Auburn filming is about to get underway on *First Frontier*. Filming will take place at two locations. Some minor filming will be done at the E.V. Smith Research Center near Shorter, but most shooting will take place at a site approximately 12 miles south of Auburn near where the Uphapee and Chewacla Creeks merge. There the crew has built an "Indian environment." Thatched huts and buildings rise from fallow fields. An Indian village, scene of one of the happier moments in the film, stands in the hot sun. The battlegrounds of Mabila and Horseshoe Bend are being recreated, and soon the blood of latter-day soldiers and warriors will be "spilled." A 60-foot-by-40-foot-by-12-foot-tall dirt mound, covering the corner of an old pasture, will be the scene of an ancient "sun ceremony" presided over by Indian chief Tascalusa. The land has been provided by John Sistrunk, a local farmer.

*First Frontier* will be completed this fall, and although national broadcasting is way off in the future, Mrs. Culpepper adds, "It's almost automatic to be selected. Besides being a sequel to *Lost in Time*, our production and direction will be improved." For now, though, the crew of *First Frontier* has its feet in the present as it eyes the past—bringing the history of Alabama alive.

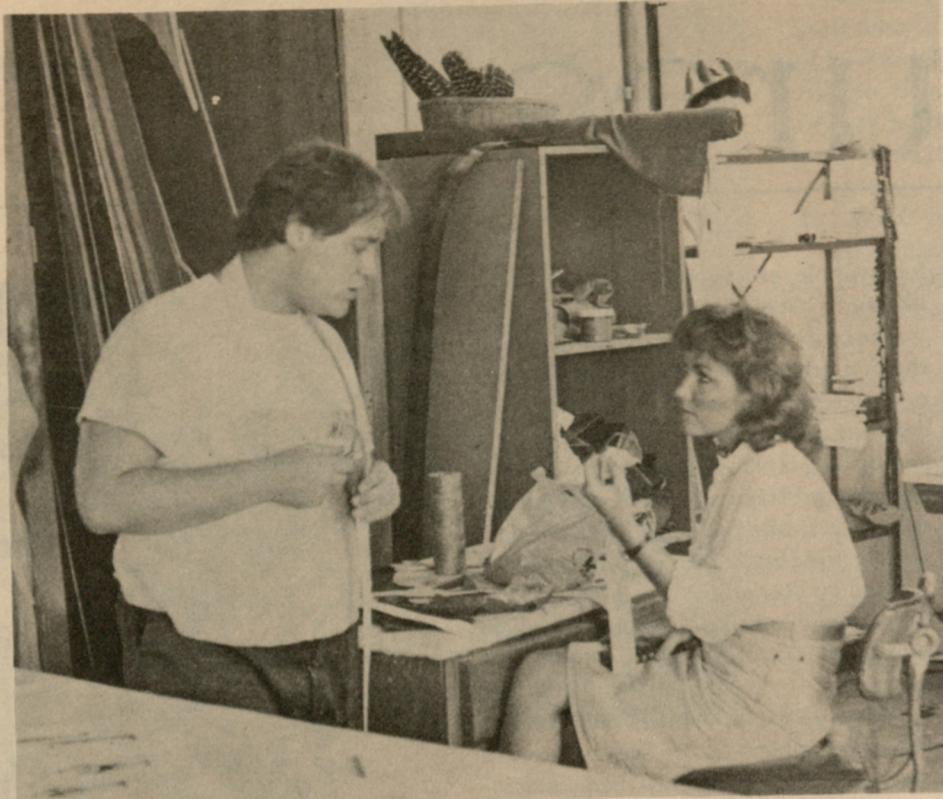
## Students Intern In Munich To Learn Fashion Marketing

By Mike Jernigan  
AU News Bureau

Kimberly A. Naler of Gadsden and Monika Lawaczeck of Birmingham, both seniors majoring in fashion merchandising at Auburn, are interning with Triumph International in Munich, West Germany, this summer to gain experience in global marketing techniques used by the European fashion industry. Triumph is one of the world's largest manufacturers of sportswear, swimwear and ladies' intimate apparel.

According to Mary E. Barry, associate professor of consumer affairs and coordinator of the Auburn fashion merchandising program, the students' internships with the prestigious company are indicative of the progress that the university's fashion merchandising program is making in giving its students exposure to international fashion and business trends.

"We are looking to be the top school in the nation in global retailing," says Prof. Barry, and "we have made a lot of progress



**BELT DESIGN**—Stacy King and John Hallum '85 compare techniques while riveting studs onto leather belts.

—Photo by Dan Shell



**DIRTY WORK, BUT NECESSARY**—Surrounded by the paraphernalia of the workroom, student Ben Shell mixes plaster to use for costume molds.

—Photo by Dan Shell



**STYROFOAM SCULPTURE**—Anderson Luster '84 carves an effigy out of styrofoam. The result will be an Indian totem-like statue.

—Photo by Dan Shell

in that direction with programs like this one. We have a strong commitment to our own state, however, and the experience that our international interns bring back with them has a strong influence on introducing new techniques to the fashion and textile industries here."

Although Kimberly and Monika are the first Auburn students to intern in West Germany, other students from the Auburn program have already interned in Korea, France, Japan, and Great Britain. Prof. Barry also takes a group of students to Europe each year on a summer fashion study trip which includes tours of major clothing manufacturing facilities and fashion centers.

## William Warren Rogers Scholarship Winners

Rufus Clifton Johnson of Albany, Ga., a junior majoring in pre-law/economics is one of two winners of a \$500 William Warren Rogers Scholarship given for excellence in the humanities. He was chosen as the outstanding junior in the School of Arts and Sciences for 1985 and is a member of Phi Eta Sigma freshman honorary, Army ROTC, and Pershing Rifles drill team. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus C. Johnson, Jr., '44 of Albany.

Deborah L. Martin of Stone Mountain, Ga., a senior majoring in foreign language/international trade is the second winner of a William Warren Rogers Scholarship. She is drum major of the Auburn band, treasurer of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, and historian of Angel Flight. Among other honors she is a member of Mortar Board and listed in Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges. A member of the University Honors Program, she earlier received an Alumni Academic Scholarship.

The Scholarships honor Dr. Rogers, distinguished professor of history at Florida State and winner of the 1984 Award for Alumni Achievement in the Humanities. Dr. Rogers received his undergraduate degree from Auburn in 1952 and his master's in 1956.

## Hardcastle Parade Honors NROTC Grad

In May the Navy ROTC unit at Auburn held its first Hardcastle Award Parade, honoring one of the program's outstanding graduates, Lt. Michael C. Hardcastle '77, who was killed in a plane crash last year. The parade, now officially the Hardcastle Award Parade, is an annual campus event at which awards are made to outstanding NROTC midshipmen.

Named this year's outstanding senior midshipman who is a naval aviation selectee was John J. Putnam of Pensacola, Fla., an aerospace engineering major.

Lt. Hardcastle graduated from Auburn as an outstanding NROTC midshipman. He served as a flight instructor and A-7 pilot. Assigned to Attack Squadron VA-82 he won the prestigious "Top Hook Award" for superior performance throughout the 1982-83 cruise of the USS Nimitz. He also received the Armstrong Award for outstanding leadership in Squadron VA-82. He was accepted as a test pilot and assigned to Patuxent River, Md., early in 1984. He was killed in the crash of a T-2 Buckeye jet aircraft on August 30 last year.

# Luckie Meagher— Founder of Auburn's First Kindergarten, Speech & Hearing Clinic Looks Back At 55 Years Here

By Ruth Schowalter

"Well, I got hired at a countyline school. One side of the school building was in Autauga County, and the other room was in Elmore County; it was a countyline school. The principal taught in one room, and I taught in the next, grades one through four. I had never taught before, but it came to me naturally. I moved around, living for a time with the different families of my students. Every summer I went back to take courses at Birmingham-Southern; but I didn't like the boys there, so I decided one summer to attend Auburn and check the boys out here."

Thus, the twenty-three-year-old Luckie Meagher, now a fifty-five-year resident of the Auburn community, came to Alabama Polytechnic Institute in 1928 in quest of a suitable husband and additional education. Many readers will remember the town she describes, the man she met and married, the kindergarten she established and taught for some thirty-odd years. Perhaps some will have attended Luckie's school or had a friend or relative who was apprenticed to her way of seeing and understanding the world.

Within moments of her arrival in Auburn, Luckie met Red Meagher and immediately felt that somehow her destiny had begun to unfold. After stashing her trunk in Alumni Hall, she walked across the street to Langdon Hall to register for classes. "While I was standing in line a tall boy with red hair and a big, crooked nose—broken from playing high school football—came swaggering down the street, flirting with all the girls," Luckie recalls and exclaims "Oh, he was marvelous! I knew then that was the man I was going to marry. A girl in line behind me said, 'I notice you're watching Red Meagher. You can forget it; he doesn't go for little girls like you. He likes fast girls.'"

So Red's childhood nextdoor neighbor counseled the small and seemingly demure girl from Jefferson County, unaware of Luckie's steady self-assurance and determination once she had a goal in mind.

"I found out where he worked. He was a soda jerk at Lipscomb Drugs, and that first day I went to buy a bar of Ivory soap. He told me, 'You sure do need it,'" Luckie laughs as she remembers the waning days of Red's bachelorhood. "So, I found a reason to go to the drugstore every day. Into the summer, one Friday afternoon he asked me to go out with him that night. I said, 'Tonight? Tonight? My datebook is signed for the rest of the summer.'" And it was. At that time all the women students—relatively few in comparison to the lucrative supply of young, ambitious men—used datebooks in order to keep romancing fair and to prevent disputes among the hot-headed suitors.

"Red and I ended up doing our courting during the day on the Presbyterian steps," she explains. "At the end of the summer we were sitting on those steps and he said,



THE DOLL HOUSE—In the Thirties' Luckie Meagher, second from left, her husband Red, seated, and their staff pose in front of their restaurant. The former Doll House is known to later generation of Auburn students as the Sanifreeze.

'Reckon we'll get married?' And I said, 'I don't know. I haven't ever been proposed to.' 'Well, what should I do,' he asked. 'I don't know anything about proposing,' I answered. 'Will you marry me?' he asked.

More than fifty years have passed. Red Meagher died five years ago. Luckie turned eighty in June. She continues to live in the house that she and Red lived in as newlyweds. Year after year it grew in haphazard fashion as Red took up his hammer to add yet another room to the once student apartments. Behind Luckie's house rests a small yellow two-room cottage, the site of her first kindergarten. Next to it stands a two-story building whose red face has faded, yet whose white doors still open onto the kindergarten that educated many Auburn children. On one door a note greets all visitors: "Welcome, Alumni. Come in and walk down 'memory lane,'" signed "Luckie Meager." And past students do return to report to Luckie about the nature of their lives, to inquire about her activities and health, and to remember those days in her kindergarten. Three swings survive and a black tire still hangs from a branch of a tree close to the once sturdy fence, now in disrepair. Time has passed here and made paint peel, seesaws rot, and plants grow where children used to play. Shady Glenn, an apartment complex built a few feet from Luckie's front porch and kindergarten, like many new constructs in town has usurped the resting places of old Auburn homes and with them bits of Auburn history. People like Luckie Meagher can resurrect moments of the past for those of us who are willing to listen and to remember.

When Luckie married Red and moved to Auburn, they stayed with Red's aunts, the Thomas sisters, Miss Allie and Miss Josie, who for years had fed Auburn students, boarded them and made their ROTC uniforms. The Thomas house, close to the corner of Gay Street and Glenn Avenue,

then stood at the edge of town. The road came to an abrupt stop in front of their house and the sidewalk stopped a house before them. It was a time when townspeople looked forward to the pictureshow, shown in Langdon Hall for all who wished to attend; when the groceries were ordered and delivered in a wagon drawn by a mule; when families moved to Auburn to educate their children and then left; when the town was small and presented many opportunities for a businessman.

Before Luckie had agreed to marry Red, she had found it necessary to jostle him a little and to make him aware of the ways of the world. "Why should I marry you," she had asked him. "How are you going to keep a wife? I'm earning \$85 a month. You had better get a job; I'm not going to keep a man." With this in mind, he had a talk with his father, J.G. Meagher, who as a boarder with the Thomas sisters, had met and married their niece, Mary Frances. Red's father established him in a corner drugstore, "really a sandwich shop" explains Luckie, where the Central Bank of Auburn stands today.

After a time Red left the corner shop and decided to start a basket route to the fraternity houses, as there was only one restaurant open at night that provided a cold drink and sandwich. Luckie and her sister Mildred, who was attending Auburn at the time, made pimento cheese sandwiches; Red got a hold of apples and some milk, and for a while had a very successful business. "The fraternities loved it," says Luckie. "Red wouldn't get back until midnight sometimes because the students would keep him talking, asking him about the history of Auburn. He kept finding ways to improve the business and one day said to me, 'I need something sweet.' So, he came up with the idea that we would make turnover pie. He took the top of an old washing machine that had a roller, and we sized it

with fat and rolled the pastry through that. Clyde was born by then, and he sat in his high chair while we rolled out the pastry, all the time singing hymns. By the time he went to Sunday school he knew them all.

"Red was a man who could never work for anyone," says Luckie. "He was a man who didn't like to be bossed but had to have things gently suggested to him." Consequently, when Red decided to make a career change, he had to come up with the idea of what to do on his own. When an unfortunate accident took place and a "maiden lady" caught fire and died in a house where Sanifreeze stands today, Red bought the house and made it into a sandwich shop. It was christened The Doll House in honor of Red's collection of dolls from all around the world that he displayed in a glass case in a prominent position in the restaurant.

Luckie opened The Doll House at six in the morning along with an elderly woman who waitressed and ran the cash register. "We served everything—hotdogs, hamburgers, sandwiches; I would make the barbecue over an open fire. I also made our noonday meal there, a meat and small portion of turnip greens or some other vegetable. We knew everyone who came there, and one day someone said to me, 'Luckie, why don't you serve us food like that?' So pretty soon I was cooking a lot of meat and a big pot of turnip greens. After dinner Red would take over the business and work until twelve at night when he would have to run people out, 'Get out of here, I don't want to see your face,' he would have to say to the students who loved to stay and talk."

The Doll House came to an end when Red announced to Luckie that the schedule kept them apart too much. "I am not going to live like this," he told her. Soon thereafter he handed her the money from selling the restaurant and said, "Here, it's yours. Do with it as you wish."

Luckie was restless without the business; and Red, who didn't know what to do about her restlessness, was counseled by his sister-in-law, Mildred. "If you will build her a place to teach, she'll be happy and stay with you all of your days." So Luckie began her first class in 1943, with four children, in a cottage right behind her house. She had continued to take classes every summer in preparation for the day that she would teach again.

At the time Auburn did not have a public kindergarten, and Luckie and Red made one available. "She sparkled on us," recalls Jim Ross, senior minister of Auburn's First Methodist Church who attended her kindergarten in 1944. "It was clear to everyone that she was delighted to have us around. She was a strong person. You did what she said without a doubt, but never questioned her kindness." He remembers Red who would take the children back to the garden and show them various vegetables. "It was fun," Jim says.

Luckie soon found that there was a need for something other than the education she could provide in her kindergarten. She noticed that many children had difficulty learning to speak phonetically and that some couldn't hear. "I was desperate to do something about it," says Luckie. "I talked to Dr. Frank Davis, head of Auburn's Speech Department, and he asked me what he should do about it. I told him to bring in a specialist for the hearing impaired. And he did. I met the specialist at the train station and brought him to my kindergarten. Auburn's Speech and Hearing Clinic, sponsored by the Auburn Pilot Club, was established in my kindergarten. The need was there, and I had to learn how to help those children." When the clinic outgrew the kindergarten, it was moved to the university. "Today, I have my hearing tested in the clinic," Luckie says. On occasion she wears a hearing aid behind her right ear.

All this time, Red, who had invested his money wisely, was able to stay close to Luckie during the day. He built her the kindergarten, its chairs and tables and anything else she needed. He gardened in the back near the train tracks, and they had a cow that he brought down to what's now Felton Little Park in the morning to graze, a cow that he learned to milk only after Luckie caught the flu one January. "All you have to do is reach up and squeeze down," she had instructed him.

The mothers of the children in Luckie's kindergarten were responsible for starting the Auburn Christmas parade. "Why do we have to go to Opelika?" one mother had asked Luckie. Luckie and the mothers then got together, made a Santa Claus suit and gave the town of Auburn its own parade. Today, Luckie watches the parade with joy from her front porch as it ambles down Glenn onto Gay Street and remembers the first parade with only Santa in it.

Luckie is a woman with a strong sense of self, and she stresses the importance for all of us to feel good about ourselves. In her kindergarten she taught her children that they must respect themselves as well as others. If a child threw sand on another child, Luckie would have the two re-enact the incident with all the other children watching, and then she would announce to everyone that the sand thrower did not like himself and that is why he threw the sand. "Why don't you like yourself, John?" she would ask. One time a girl spat on the



**HAPPY EIGHTIETH!**—Having her eightieth birthday was the type of hard work Luckie Meagher likes. Apart from answering numerous calls from friends, relatives, and past kindergarten students she spent her day entertaining visitors and arranging the many flowers that arrived on her doorstep.

—Photo by Ruth Schowalter

floor; the children reported this to Luckie, who took the child by hand and brought her to the bathroom. "Mary, you spit in here as long as you like and anywhere you like until you get tired of it," instructed Luckie. When Mary's mother came to get her she was told to wait outside that Mary was busy spitting. "After everyone had left, Mary's mother and I were still waiting, and she told me, 'This is wonderful; I've been having problems with her.' Well, finally Mary came to the door and said that she was finished spitting. I handed her a bowl of water and some towels and told her to clean everything up. You see, Mary had to get out whatever it was inside her that she didn't like about herself."

Luckie's method of handling difficult situations is well-illustrated by Johnny Williams' memory of his first day of kindergarten back in 1958. Today, the owner of Village Printers in Auburn, he vividly recalls the trauma of that day. "I was screaming and crying as my mother and I walked down the brick road to the kindergarten. Mrs. Meagher greeted us. She addressed all the mothers as 'mama.' 'Mama,' she said to my mother, 'Do you want this boy to go to kindergarten?' She answered, 'yes.' 'Mama, do you think that this is best for him?' 'Yes,' my mother answered and to all the questions that followed. Then Mrs. Meagher grabbed my hand firmly; I can still feel it. I was screaming, but she held onto my hand tightly as my mother walked away." Johnny became accustomed to the kindergarten after the first week and "grew to love Mrs. Meagher" as everyone did.

Many children must have had similar experiences to Johnny's up until 1977 when Red asked Luckie to retire. "Let's not do kindergarten anymore; the town has one now," he had said to her. "They don't need us anymore." Luckie closed the doors to her kindergarten in order to spend time with Red whose failing health told them both that he didn't have long to live. The yearly reunions of graduating high school students who attended Luckie Meagher's

kindergarten continue to this day and will until 1989. Meanwhile, Luckie attends weddings of kindergarten alumni—almost every Saturday during the spring, receives a constant stream of letters, phonecalls and visits from children as well as townspeople who dearly love her and miss Red.

It is best to talk to someone like Luckie Meagher. Reading about her limits her unfairly to words that she selects specifically for the listener who is present. Her conversation is as varied as the people she knows and her questions intriguing as they stem from an insatiable desire to always know more.

On that long ago afternoon when Luckie stepped off the train little did she know that Auburn would provide her with a husband, a home, and a place where she would continue to learn and grow. "Auburn is a town of unlimited possibilities, a town in which you can love and be loved," says Luckie, who stresses more importantly that in Auburn, "you can be the person that you are, both to yourself and others."

## Former AU Coach Has Seen Drastic Changes in Tennis

By Mike Marshall

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When Luther Young began coaching tennis at Auburn, World War II hadn't been completed, Tulane was the dominant collegiate tennis power in the South, and the Tigers played their matches on unsightly asphalt courts.

"You should have seen them," said Coach Young. "The courts had gravel sticking out of them."

Now, Auburn plays its tennis on more fashionable courts in a complex named after Coach Young, who served as Auburn's tennis coach from 1945-1976.

"I think tennis was a lot more fun when I first started," he said. "It's more of a busi-

ness now. People are all worried about making money. When I first started in tennis, there wasn't hardly any money to be made."

How times have changed. Not only is there money to be made now, but there are scholarships. Once, Auburn's tennis roster was comprised of students pulled from physical education classes. These days, with plenty of scholarships available, there are players from Connecticut, West Germany and South Africa.

"Nobody used to come to Auburn just to play tennis," Coach Young said. "It was like we used to put signs up on bulletin boards that said anyone who was interested in tennis just come on out. Classes began in the spring on a Monday and we'd start practice that Thursday. We didn't start having scholarships until the late '60s and early '70s."

Auburn began its tennis program on a whim. The Second World War wasn't over, but a few notable players, who had prospered before being called to duty, had begun filtering into Auburn.

"There were about four of us playing one day behind where Magnolia Hall is now and someone said, 'Let's go down to this tournament in New Orleans.' They appointed me to go talk to Carl Voyles, who was the athletic director then," recalled Coach Young. "When I went in to see him, he said something like 'why not?'

"In those days, all the big tournaments were played in New Orleans because Tulane had one of the few programs in the South. We went to New Orleans and played Maxwell Field Officers Club.

"We won that one. We had some top-flight tennis players on that team. We had a guy who had played at No. 1 at Princeton, and we had a fellow by the name of Jim Biggers. He's one of my favorites."

And there have been many favorites. There are few memories of great conquests, just lasting impressions of those who Coach Young encountered in his 31 years of coaching.

"The best part about it was the people," he said. "All the different coaches and different players I met. That was the highlight."

"I remember people like Ham Richardson, who played at Tulane. At the SEC Tournament one year, Ham was going over to Wimbledon after the tournament. He was going to have to catch a plane in Atlanta to England, but the tournament was about a half day behind schedule. Ham made it, though."

"Tulane went to the NCAAs that year in Los Angeles and their No. 2 player, Augie Auguero, ended up winning the national championship. That shows how strong Tulane was then."

Tulane is no longer a member of the Southeastern Conference, and no longer is the Green Wave the ruler of Southern collegiate tennis. Georgia, Alabama, Auburn, and Tennessee, whose programs were dormant in that era, are. Auburn has overcome those humble beginnings and won a second consecutive conference crown in 1984.

Coach Young still follows Auburn tennis religiously. He can be spotted at Auburn matches, wearing a large straw hat and wandering from court to court. He remains one of the program's few enthusiasts. Some things haven't changed.

"I don't understand it," he said. "Now that we have some of the best players, we still don't have anybody out there."

The nature of tennis players has remained constant, too.

"Tennis players have been temperamental as long as they've played the game," Young said. "I think maybe that's because they get geared up so. You're doing it yourself, and then you blame it on yourself."

"But take John McEnroe, for instance. He doesn't really mean any of that stuff he does. He does it and then he says he's sorry."

The formula that Coach Young carried with him through his 31-year journey was a simple one—rely solely on yourself. That individuality has forever appealed to him.

"My philosophy has been do the best you can and not depend on anyone," he said. "That way, you can't blame anybody but yourself. I'm sure just about all the top-ranked players look at it that way."

"I never saw a good player that blamed getting beat on anybody but himself."

## Kuykendall Scholarship, Vallery Award Winners Named

Nancy T. Walker of Milstead, a senior majoring in foreign language/international trade has received \$500 as one of two winners of the John. Wells Kuykendall Scholarship given for excellence in the humanities. She is a member of Alpha Lamda Delta honorary, Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, and Kappa Gamma social sorority. Nancy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Walker '51.

Denise A. Matt of Phenix City, a senior in psychology, is winner of both the John W. Kuykendall Scholarship for excellence in the humanities and the Georgia Vallery Award awarded by the Psychology Department for outstanding scholarship, character, and service to the department. Denise is president of Psi Chi psychology honorary, a member of the University Honors program, and ranks second among students in the School of Arts and Sciences with a 3.97 grade point average. She will attend graduate school at Vanderbilt University and has previously been recognized as an outstanding junior. She has also won an Alumni Academic Scholarship and two A.H. Skinner Scholarships.

The Kuykendall Awards are funded by the Auburn University Humanities Fund and honor Dr. John W. Kuykendall, winner of the 1984 Special Award for Achievement in the Humanities. Dr. Kuykendall, former faculty member and head of the Department of Religion, left Auburn last June to become president of Davidson College.

The Vallery Award honors Prof. Georgia G. Vallery '57 who served on the Auburn Psychology faculty from 1957 until her retirement in 1982 and was active in founding the East Alabama Mental Health Center and Auburn's first shelter for battered women.

## Ryding Scholarships Awarded in Physics

Robert R. Criss, Jr., Christopher L. Darling and Harold T. Ledbetter, all of Auburn, have been awarded Herbert Charles Ryding Scholarships for 1985-86 at Auburn University.



RETIRE COACH—Coach Luther Young is pictured in 1976, prior to stepping down as tennis coach, with his two top players—Drew Evert, left, and Jackie Bushman. Coach Young headed Auburn's tennis program for 31 seasons, 25 of them winning ones.

The scholarships, which are awarded annually on the basis of superior scholastic performance by undergraduates in the physics program, were established in 1951 by Eva Comer Ryding in memory of her late husband, who served as president of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railway Company.

Robert is a junior with a grade point average of 3.75. He is a Dean's List student and a member of the Phi Eta Sigma honorary.

Christopher is a junior with a 3.40 grade point average. He has received the Freshman Fellowship award and a previous Ryding Scholarship and is a member of Sigma Pi Sigma, the physics honorary.

A sophomore, Harold has a grade point average of 3.11 and is a member of Phi Eta Sigma honorary.

## Auburn Researcher Sees Plastic as Material for Car Bodies, Planes & Space Vehicles

By Roy Summerford  
AU News Bureau

"Plastics," the sage advice offered Dustin Hoffman in the 1960's film classic *The Graduate* was on target but a few years ahead of its time. Now Auburn researcher Dr. Jang sees whole new industries developing to produce bodies for aircraft, space vehicles, most automobiles and even submarines from plastic-like materials.

But the materials have more in common with metals than they do with the traditional concepts of plastics. Dr. Jang, an assistant professor of mechanical engineering, is leading an AU research team in a search for newer, stronger and more versatile materials that could aid developing Alabama industries.

Non-metal composite materials have long been used in some sports cars, although current materials are much advanced from

those of a few years ago. Dr. Jang noted that new composite materials are finding their way into aircraft, such as the airframes of the helicopters that Sikorsky will manufacture at its Tallahassee plant. He said the research base at Auburn could contribute to further development of composite materials industries in the state.

Support for the projects, which spread across several disciplines at Auburn, comes from several sources, including major funding from the Alabama Research Institute.

The most common composite materials are Kevlar or graphite fibers embedded in



NEW MATERIAL—Dr. Bor Jang, an assistant professor of mechanical engineering, is looking for newer, stronger industrial materials that will help develop Alabama industries.

epoxy resin. Auburn researchers are experimenting with various combinations of those materials and are seeking different materials, both in fibers and bonding agents.

Dr. Jang is participating in projects seeking to improve bonding of materials, lateral strength of composites, mechanical interlocking of composite materials, impact and heat resistance and other aspects of the materials.

A member of the materials science research group, Dr. Jang is also working with electrical and computer engineering researchers in the development of plasma etching techniques for very large scale integrated circuits and of unconventional materials for semiconductors to improve computer operations. The plasma etching technique under development is expected to provide more precise etching of semiconductors to improve efficiency.

The development of new materials for expanded uses ranging from airframes to industrial pipes requires improvements in the lateral strength of the materials. The right combination needs to be found to improve impact resistance, adding to lateral strength. Frequently composite materials are made brittle and weakened in one direction during attempts to strengthen them in another, Dr. Jang explained.

He is seeking to develop a controlled plasma reaction technique that will permit precise application of chemical bonding agents to the composite fibers. Improved bonding between the fibers and bonding agent would provide more lateral strength.

Plasma reaction techniques could also remove all impurities from the materials, and they could physically change the surface characteristics, providing better mechanical interlocking of the fibers and bonding materials.

Composite materials are commonly thought of as substitutes for metals, but Dr.

Jang noted that forestry researchers at Auburn have also played a role in the development of composite materials from wood products as an alternative to solid wood beams. Composite materials will lead to a wide range of new industries, he predicts.

## Ward Prefers Teaching To Research

By Karen Price '88

Dr. Curtis Ward, professor of chemistry, is a rare bird who actually enjoys teaching. He is enthusiastic about chemistry and about teaching. As he explains, "My philosophy is that if you don't like what you are doing, you should get out, and get out quick! I always try to get across to my students that I like what I am doing and I like my topic."

Upon looking at Dr. Ward for the first time, a student might think of an old-fashioned, good-natured cowboy. At least that was my first impression of him when I went into his physical chemistry class. He has a long, droopy mustache, is bow-legged (this comes from riding a bicycle all his life), and talks in a reminiscent way. However, the best thing about Dr. Ward is that he likes to teach, and many professors don't.

He has the reputation among students as being hard but not impossible. Those of us who've had his classes often tell our friends, "If you want to learn chemistry, take Dr. Ward. But if you aren't willing to work hard, don't waste your time."

He feels lucky, in a sense, that he was at Auburn in the earlier days when there wasn't as much pressure to do research or publish papers.

"I'm afraid that when it comes down to a choice of whether I'm going to prepare a lecture or do some research, I do the lecture," Dr. Ward admits. He takes the time to go over every lecture before class even though he's "been here many years and said it many times." In Dr. Ward's opinion, promotions and tenure are based on research and publishing, consequently faculty members now put less emphasis on teaching than in the past years.

Dr. Ward came to Auburn in 1957, following completion of his Ph.D. at Purdue. Earlier, he graduated from the University of Kentucky with majors in math, chemistry, and physics. Dr. Ward left Auburn briefly in 1960 to work in industry, but returned in less than a year. He had been in industry for only three months when he realized he missed teaching. "Teaching is sorta like alcohol. It's habit forming," he offers as an explanation. Not that he disliked working in industry, but he simply preferred teaching.

Dr. Ward now teaches physical chemistry and thermodynamics. He started the class of quantum mechanics at Auburn, making Auburn the third university in the country to offer the course.

Even after more than 25 years of teaching, Dr. Ward has managed to avoid "teacher burn-out." One of teaching's biggest rewards for Dr. Ward is helping a student "discover" chemistry and enjoy it.



TEACHER—Dr. Curtis Ward, professor of chemistry at Auburn since 1957 except for a brief stint in industry, finds that the joy of helping students discover chemistry helps prevent burn-out.

—Photo by Karen Price

For example, he remembers, "a guy a number of years ago who was in my beginning chemistry class. He was making 90s on the exams. He was in some agriculture curriculum. One day I asked him if he liked chemistry and he said, 'Oh yeah, but I thought chemistry was only for brains.' Well, nobody had ever told the guy he was pretty good! So he switched to a pre-medical major and went to medical school at Johns Hopkins." Dr. Ward is also proud of students who have graduated and are now out teaching. "They are trying my methods of teaching, which is another one of the rewards of the game. I always tell my students that if you like something and you can do a pretty good job at it, you should go to it. In other words, do something you've got a little talent for."

Another interesting aspect of Dr. Ward is that he has never owned or driven a car. "I used to be able to take a landing craft and put it anywhere you wanted it, but not a car!" For transportation, he and his family have used the trusty bicycle.

"I'm not sure why I never owned a car but I guess it's because I never really felt the need for one," he says. But, he adds, some of his feeling about cars probably has to do with the fact that when he was in high school several of his friends bought cars and essentially had to quit school to support their cars, and he decided that was a position he never wanted to be in.

When Dr. Ward first came to Auburn, the student population just topped 5,000; this fall it will pass 19,000. He has seen Auburn change in many ways over the years, not all of them good. In addition to feeling that there is too much publishing pressure on professors and not enough emphasis on teaching, he thinks Auburn is getting a little too big.

Students have changed through the years, too. In his first years, Dr. Ward taught a lot of what he called "first generation students." These were students whose parents had not been able to attend college. "They worked harder back then," Dr. Ward says, "because they realized that their parents were making a big sacrifice for them to be in college." Then in the 70s, the students cycled to the opposite extreme. They were "more scruffy;" that is, they didn't care about school and therefore didn't do as well. But today he sees more similarity to the early days. More students are coming to

that grows wild, like blueberries, blackberries, plums, grapes, or anything."

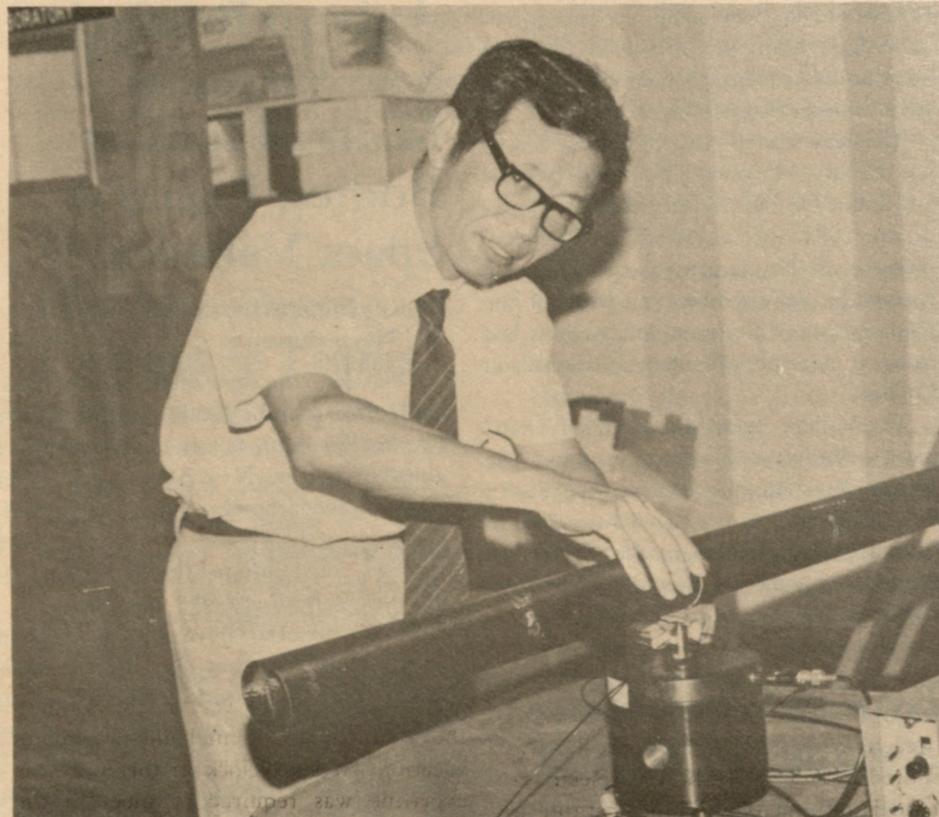
The Drs. Ward have also traveled frequently in the last five years, particularly in Eastern Europe. They have been in Romania, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Hungary, and Yugoslavia. One of Dr. Charlotte Ward's favorite stories about their travels emphasizes my own perception of him as a cowboy. One of Dr. Ward's favorite traveling suits looks very much like the dressy suit a cowboy of yesteryear would wear. It's all black with the white shirt and the string tie. He even wears a cowboy hat with it. Of course, the most popular American television show abroad is "Dallas." And Mrs. Ward says almost everyone in other countries thinks the entire United States lives in Texas. One day when the Wards were walking down the street, some people suddenly started shouting "Texas, Texas!" while pointing and making wild gestures at the Auburn chemistry professor. The Wards only laughed and kept on walking.

When asked to describe her husband, Mrs. Ward says he's "practically perfect....I won't go into all his faults, but for all practical reasons he's perfect." I'll have to agree on one point—Dr. Ward is a practically perfect professor!

## Visiting Scholar Sees Changes in China Reflected In his Own Life

By Ruth Schowalter

"Hope you have a baby next year," a curse if wished to most any American, was once the toast given among the Chinese at their annual spring festival. The more children a man had, the luckier he was considered. According to this belief, Mr. Guanghan Zhu from China's Hunan Uni-



RESEARCH IN PROGRESS—Visiting Scholar Guanghan Zhu exhibits the equipment for the research project Measurement Damping in Composite Materials. Funded with \$110,000 from NASA-MSFC, the work is to conclude this September, having measured the space telescope's ability to absorb vibrations.

—Photo by Ruth Schowalter

versity, currently a visiting scholar in Auburn University's Mechanical Engineering Department, came from a very lucky family. Born in 1938 in Hangchow, known as heaven's garden on earth, he was the eldest of eleven children, and his father was a successful businessman, owner and operator of a small textile factory. But such traditions changed in the past thirty years as internal revolution and reform shook China. Today at the spring festival, Mr. Zhu will toast "longevity" to his companions, each of whom is limited to a one-child family in order to appease China's glaring overpopulation problem. During Mr. Zhu's lifetime, he has seen the pendulum swing from the acceptance of capitalism to its abolishment and back again. His life reflects the turbulence that stormed China during the Cultural Revolution and the change that his country has undergone since its doors opened to the rest of the world in the late Seventies.

"An average man, from an average university in an average town," as he describes himself, Mr. Zhu is distinctly different from many Chinese. In order to study overseas, a scholar must pass certain language tests and receive recommendations from his department head as well as the president of the university. Mr. Zhu is a member of an elite group. Since 1978 China has sent approximately 30,000 students and scholars abroad to more than 60 countries. Seventy percent of that number are visiting scholars.

Something else makes Mr. Zhu distinctive from other Chinese. He is the "son of a capitalist," a fact that at one time placed him in an extremely unfavorable position with the communists. In 1953 when the socialist reform began his father wisely gave the textile factory to the country. In 1955 Mr. Zhu entered Qinghua University, a school established in Beijing with money from the United States when the Boxer Rebellion concluded. Up until 1949 many of its professors were educated in American universities. In 1957 the Mao regime sent his father to a mountainous village for three years. When he returned to Hangchow, he was "like a prisoner outside the jail," and he did "worker's work." Only one of Mr. Zhu's brothers qualified to study at the university with him; the rest of his family, as children of a capitalist, were denied education. The times were tumultuous, and peoples' lives changed drastically.

In 1961 Mr. Zhu graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering, specializing in "forging and press" (tool and die making). The economy was very poor. A few years earlier Russia had demanded that payment begin for the weapons that they had issued the Chinese during the Korean War and had stopped all support, causing the Chinese to abandon factories under construction and extension plans for their universities. Mr. Zhu was assigned to Tienjin University near Beijing to teach physics, not his specialty. Fortunately, a year later he was transferred to the mechanical engineering department at Hunan University to teach machine design, where he was honored in 1964 when he was selected to attend Kunming Polytechnic Institute to study mechanical vibration. This period of study turned out to be more than an honor. Later, it proved a stroke of luck.

In the meantime, however, disaster struck



AT HOME—Visiting Scholar Guanghan Zhu poses with his wife and daughter home in China. In the background is Hunan University.

the Chinese. In 1966, the Cultural Revolution began. The economy went to the edge of ruin. Students denounced their teachers. Teachers reviewed one another. Mr. Zhu, as a capitalist's son, was one of the victims of the *da zhi bao*, sheets of paper as large as three by six feet on which were listed an individual's shortcomings in big, black Chinese characters. For an entire month, twelve of these sheets were displayed, depicting Mr. Zhu's failings as a good citizen. He was asked to review himself, to find his faults and to turn his remarks in to Hunan's communist committee leader. Mr. Zhu was not married; he lived alone. Friends could not console him, and he could not tear down the sheets unless he wished to be considered counter-revolutionary. Other actions were taken to humiliate and denounce the teachers that Mao did not like.

Mr. Zhu recalls a once-esteemed Hunan professor who was paraded down the street, a dunce cap placed on his head, ink smeared on his face. He was forced to strike a wash basin with a stick as he marched. Later, while his wife was taking a shower, the professor hanged himself behind a door. His wife discovered him, wrote a note, leaving money to their three children, then hanged herself. These are "painful memories," Mr. Zhu remarks, and goes on to explain, "Mao relied on the workers and peasants who obeyed blindly. The relationship between student and teacher grew worse and worse." The universities closed.

Although classes were not conducted, the university personnel did not go on vacation. At six o'clock in the morning, everyone was required to meet in the square and do exercises in military fashion. Afterward, Mr. Zhu would go to his office and memorize pages of Mao's Red Book. Attendance was taken, his memorization checked, and once he had learned the

necessary amount by heart, he was awarded a red flag to display for all to see.

In early 1967 he watched as civil war began. "First mouth, then fists, then bar, and finally gun," he describes the gradual stages the conflict went through. His days were filled with attending lectures on special problems and with parades. "There was a lot of work to do," Mr. Zhu remembers, "but we accomplished nothing." By 1968 it was clear who belonged to the "revolutionary class," an understanding that allowed Mr. Zhu to meet Wang Zhenling who was sympathetic to his political position. In 1969 they were married. At the same time Hunan University opened to accept students from the working class. But, Mr. Zhu had "no right to teach," as he could not be "relied on politically." However, when China began compiling a national engineering handbook in 1974, Mr. Zhu, who had studied vibration at Kunming Polytechnic Institute, was given a rare privilege that few professors in mechanical engineering were permitted. Selected to compile a section on mechanical vibration, he was allowed to read technical books, a liberty that he had not had for close to eight years. "It was beyond my imagination," says Mr. Zhu.

While Mr. Zhu was contributing assiduously to the field of mechanical vibration, three Chinese leaders died—Zhou Enlei, premier; Zhu De, past commander in chief and then chairman of congress; and Mao Zedong, communist party chairman. Other changes took place. The Gang of Four was arrested. China threw open its doors to trade with the rest of the world. The academic experience Mr. Zhu had acquired during his recent work qualified him for additional research projects. The stigma of being a capitalist's son no longer hindered him professionally. Yet, in 1980 when he qualified to go abroad, the department head at Hunan University, still oper-

ating under the old policies, denied him the opportunity to go.

Angry at this outmoded discrimination, Mr. Zhu grew seriously sick, asked to leave Hunan University, and began writing letters to the Machine Building Ministry. Like a litany, he continued to repeat to himself a line from Longfellow's poem, "A Psalm of Life," a line he had remembered often during the Cultural Revolution: "Not enjoyment, and not sorrow, / Is our destined end or way; / But to act, that each tomorrow / Find us farther than today." With determination, he continued to do research, imported advanced equipment from England, and built the Vibrations Center Research Lab. In 1982, the head of the department was transferred for executing the wrong policies. The new department head immediately released Mr. Zhu to study in the United States.

In the fall of 1983 Mr. Zhu came to Auburn to work with Dr. Malcolm Crocker, head of the Mechanical Engineering Department and a noise control specialist. Mr. Zhu's current research project involves testing the material, graphite epoxy, of a NASA telescope in order to determine its damping—measuring its ability to absorb vibrations. While in Auburn, he has translated technical books into Chinese so that when he returns to China he will be prepared to teach graduate courses. Daily, he reads the Chinese paper to keep up with the rapid advancements occurring in his country. Two years' experience in America has given him some new insights about his own country.

"The United States is a developed country; China is a developing country," says Mr. Zhu. "Everywhere the efficiency of the administration is very high," he says of the U.S. "Each secretary has a word processor, each department its own Xerox machine—information is processed very quickly." In addition, he has discovered that here the "service network is good. All you have to do is pick up the phone," he says and explains that in China it is not easy to obtain information. It is the interstate highway system, however, that has made the deepest impression on Mr. Zhu. China does not have one, and the Chinese must rely on the railway. "It is a big decision to travel," says Mr. Zhu. "Here it is very easy."

The latter part of the Twentieth Century is seeing China undergo rapid transformations as it rushes to catch up with western technology. Will China lose something essential from its rich historical past? "We would not want to keep the culture the same as it was two to three thousand years ago," answers Mr. Zhu. "In China there are abundant resources and hardworking people. The Chinese are smart, and human beings must always be progressing."

When Mr. Zhu returns to China he will take with him monuments of American home technology—a washing machine, refrigerator, and microwave oven. Yet it is not these conveniences or any other leisure making device for which he will remember Auburn or America. For him, his trip to the United States is a dream that has become a reality, not only for him personally, but for China. "Let me reflect the Chinese change," says Mr. Zhu. "After the Cultural Revolution, we did not know what the right direction was. We were puzzled. But we did not lose hope, and now the hope is being realized gradually."

# Recent Graduate Who Spent Two Years as Volunteer to Help Sick Eagles, Hopes To be Zoo Vet

By Mike Jernigan '80  
AU News Bureau

As far as Rupert E. Patton of Huntsville is concerned, college is for the birds.

The Spring quarter wildlife management graduate spent two years doing volunteer work with the Raptor Rehabilitation Program, a federally-sanctioned program whereby sick and injured raptors and other birds from throughout the Southeast are brought by the public to the Auburn Veterinary School and hopefully rehabilitated to the point where they can eventually return to the wild.

The program is staffed by students with clinical help provided by the Auburn veterinary faculty. At present, there are several bald and golden eagles undergoing treatment, along with owls, hawks, falcons and even a friendly buzzard.

Patton, a Dean's List student and member of the Phi Kappa Phi and agricultural honoraries who is now attending veterinary school at Auburn, got involved with the raptor program to gain wildlife experience. He eventually hopes to be a wildlife or zoo veterinarian and working with the injured birds in the program provided valuable on-the-job training.

"Veterinary training is really oriented more towards care of agricultural and domestic animals than wild ones," Patton notes. "So the Raptor program gives us a chance to work with types of patients we don't normally see."

"But working with any kind of wild animal has its drawbacks. To even be captured, a bird must usually be either very ill or badly injured. And by the time many of the birds reach Auburn, they are often beyond recovery."

Still, Patton estimates that as many as fifty per cent of the birds survive, even if some of them are unable to return to the wild. Many are placed in zoos or in wildlife education or breeding programs and a few become permanent residents of Auburn. Program volunteers take these birds to schools and other gatherings to hopefully educate the public, so that in the future, fewer endangered species like eagles will come to the program with injuries such as gunshot wounds—by far the most common injury to the birds now in the program despite the fact that most are protected by state and federal laws.

Although Patton admits that it is sometimes easy to become attached to the birds because of the constant therapy which is necessary to their recovery, he says that the ultimate goal of all the students is to see their patients return to the wild where they belong.

"I always try to keep in mind that release back into the natural environment is the best thing for the birds. But even the ones who can never go back are valuable in that they can be used to help increase public awareness or for breeding to help save endangered species."

"And when we do return a bird to the wild, like a golden eagle that was recently released in Georgia after we treated it for a



FOR THE BIRDS—Rupert E. Patton eventually hopes to use his two years' experience with the Auburn Raptor Rehabilitation Program as a wildlife or zoo veterinarian.

gunshot wound, it makes all the work worthwhile."

## Music Gains Support With New Friends Organization

By Stacye Simmerson '86

The Friends of Music, Auburn Music Department's new support organization, has raised more than \$6,000 since its April 1 commencement, said Dr. Harold A. Kafer, the department head. Dr. Kafer, who came to Auburn in June 1984, perceived a "very large need" for scholarships and for the department to be more "visible" in the state and region. Thus, he began work on a project last August which would unite people interested in music and in actively supporting the department.

Because Auburn's alumni "tend to identify with Auburn more than at other schools," Dr. Kafer thought that "a friends-type organization had a good chance of success here."

The primary objective of the Friends at this point is to raise funds for scholarships. "As the economy tightens, and financial aid becomes more and more restricted," Dr. Kafer explained, "talented art students will increasingly go where they can get the most financial aid for their talents.

"So it is imperative that we be competitive in this market," he stressed.

Scholarship candidates are selected through biannual auditions, and the first Friends grant has already been awarded.

Vernon Hartman, baritone of the Metropolitan Opera and guest artist in the May 5 Friends of Music premiere concert, presented the scholarship to an incoming freshman from Huntsville, Amy Higgins, who will study voice performance.

In addition to assisting students financially and helping the department become better known in Alabama and the Southeast, Dr. Kafer said that the Friends are working to identify new ways the department can serve the arts in the state.

For example, the brass choir, a student

chamber group that presents an annual Christmas program, is planning several public performances for December in such places as the Village Mall. "This is an opportunity to be visible and to contribute culturally by bringing artistic music to people who may have never heard it before," Dr. Kafer said.

But student performances are not the only items on next year's agenda. Dr. Kafer is currently organizing an alumni recital for the fall. "We're hoping to bring back outstanding graduates who are making a contribution to the music field—of which we have many."

He is also in the process of establishing a new resident chamber group of faculty and graduate students called the Auburn Brass Quintet.

A conductor and pianist himself who gave more than 14 concerts throughout the Southeast and West Germany last year, Dr. Kafer said that, so far, the Friends of Music have contacted only Auburn music graduates and state residents who have some connection with Auburn and music.

However, anyone interested in supporting Auburn's Music Department may join the Friends by making an annual contribution of \$25 or more. A special \$10 level is available for student membership.

All donations are tax-deductible and checks should be made to the Auburn University Foundation and earmarked for the music program.

## Alumni Travelers Intrigued by Few Smiles and Lack Of Freedom They Saw In Russia

"Russia was truly a learning experience," said Auburn travel director Pat Brackin in summing up the recent alumni trip. "The

Alumni Association has always promoted travel because it can be a learning experience and that's exactly what it was. Our trip to Russia made us thankful that we were born in America and we have the privilege to walk down the street and hold our heads up and speak to whomever we wanted to speak to."

Of course, they learned much about other cultures, too, but at moments in the trip, billed as the Passage of the Czars, the Alumni felt they were traveling in the time of the Czars. After a quick trip through the Frankfurt Airport—they got there with 15 minutes to spare—the Auburn travelers landed in Vienna to find no way to get on to Moscow. A series of delayed planes left them "wandering around." Two and one-half hours later the joint travel group had come up with boarding passes for all but ten people to fly to Moscow on an Austrian airline. Among the ten left behind for six hours were Pat and her husband, Glenn Brackin '62, who later flew to Moscow on an Aeroflot plane scattered among the other passengers, all in-transit Russians—no Americans were allowed to sit together—who didn't speak English. When they finally arrived in Moscow it was at a beautiful "but dimly lit airport—except for the blindingly bright lights they made you stand under when you went through customs."

When the late-arriving travelers got to their state-owned, five-year-old hotel, they found that although the Cosmos was one of the nicest hotels in Moscow, it appeared not to have had any maintenance "since the day it was built." In addition to a hotel that was running down rapidly, the Americans found other alien activities. For instance the hotel kept their passports until they left Moscow, only allowing a card to show who they were and that they had a room at the Cosmos. And when they left their rooms each time they were required to leave their keys behind with the key lady who sat on each floor.

The tourist group—made up of alumni from Auburn, Emory, the University of Virginia and the University of Alberta in Canada—found they had a full day planned each day with little time on their own. Breakfast, which always included tomatoes and cucumbers, started at 7:30 and the tour buses left at 8:30. With the Americans on two or three buses, it varied from day to day. The Auburn people expected temperatures at 60-65 and the first morning found 39 degrees instead. "We Southern folks sort of shook and put on our raincoats. It was gray, rainy, and the wind was blowing and we really had to battle the cold," Pat remembers.

They found Moscow to be a "very large spreadout city with extremely wide streets, underground walkways for pedestrians, the fast traffic and the apparent lack of speed limits." They were also impressed with all the signs of the military, the war monuments, and the lack of shops and shopping. And above all, the downcast people.

"We never saw anybody smile. Everybody we saw was in a hurry and not only did not stop and talk to us, they didn't seem to stop and talk to each other," Pat said. "All the stores close by 5 p.m. There is no shopping at night and the stores are always closed on Sunday. We often saw long lines of people, and one day a group of us decided to see why the people were standing in line. When we walked up to the head of the

line we saw they were selling chickens in a small store. The chickens still had their feet and heads on but the feathers were gone. People would buy the chickens and stick them in their shopping bags. They don't have plastic wrap, foil, or paper bags like we do. Each person seems to have a bag they used for shopping and you'd see them walking off with the feet of the chickens sticking out."

In addition to the lack of communication with the people in Russia, the Americans also felt the loss of outside news. "We saw no English newspapers in Russia. They had three television stations. Two of them just showed old war movies which came on at certain times of the day, and the other was nothing but news but none in English; hence nothing we could understand," explained Pat.

The Auburn alumni were in Russia at the same time of the hijacking of the airliner, the bombing of the Frankfurt Airport through which they passed on the way to Moscow, and the explosion of the Indian airliner. They learned about the hijacking and the bombing only after they reached Romania when one of the members, Charles Mayton '49, picked up the news on BBC on his radio.

After three days in Moscow, the tourists were ready to move on. But if getting to Moscow was an experience, getting out was even more of one. They were up for their usual 7:30 breakfast and waiting on the buses to take them to the airport. The buses eventually came about 2 p.m. (the travelers had no lunch) and took them to a different airport than the large, new one where they had arrived. The airport had no restaurants; consequently, when the travelers arrived at the airport hungry, there was nothing for them to buy except beer. Finally Pat and the tour directors from the other universities talked the Russians into allowing them to get what Pat called "Russian hotdogs—some kind of wieners and buns, boiled eggs, and coffee to give to the hungry passengers." Meanwhile they continued to wait for the plane. Eventually it became evident that they weren't taking off because the plane was not full. "Russian planes don't fly if they aren't full," Pat explained. "They just wait until all the seats are filled." Finally the plane left about 9 o'clock that night. The Auburn travel group got to Kiev about 11 p.m. where they boarded the ship that was to be home for most of the rest of the trip.

And contrary to their experience at the Cosmos, the Americans found their floating home "a really beautiful ship. It would accommodate 200 people, and there was nobody on it except Americans and Canadians so you can imagine that we had plenty of room to spread out and do things with only 82 people," said Pat. "We traveled the Dnieper River and had ports of call along the way. Each time we stopped we were able to go into town. The buses would take us on a tour, and there was no need to stop and shop because there was nothing to shop for. You might pick up some candy or a cola or some flowers to brighten your cabin, but that was it."

"One of the most impressive ports of call was Odessa. One of the Auburn travelers—Peter Michaeloff of Indiana—had lived in Odessa from the time he was seven until he was eleven, and he was eager to go back and see if he recognized anything. Of course, most of the areas where he had lived had been bombed during the war. We



**ON BOARD**—The Auburn alumni travelers are pictured on board their Russian ship during the Passage of the Czars. Seated are, left to right, Betty Mayton, Jane Jensen '56, Streeter Wiatt '31, Pat Brackin, Ruth Maples, and George Maples '38. Standing are Dick McCormack '47, Frankie McCormack, Faye Page, Ruth Baldwin, Otis Pruett '43, Charles Mayton '49, Dolly Craven, Warren Craven '49, Emma Lou Michaeloff, Dorothy Reeves '59, Alan Reeves '59, Peter Michaeloff, Tennie Owen Wiatt '34, O.B. (Bogie) Jenson, Glenn Brackin '62, Rose Marie Morgan, and Charles Morgan '48.

saw the famous Potemkin Stairs that go from the port up to the city. While we were there we visited one of the largest opera houses in Europe, which is the largest opera house in Russia, where we saw Rigoletti. It was probably the first time Auburn alumni had had their own little boxes to view a fantastic opera they couldn't understand and have Russians standing behind them so they couldn't comment very much," laughed Pat. "The music was very beautiful and most of us knew the story so that helped us understand it."

While the tourists were in Odessa, they visited a children's farm, which is similar to a summer camp. Children from the age of five to eighteen were at the farm, where they spend the summer while their parents are working. They danced and sang for the visitors and some did acrobatics. "Since we didn't have our passports, which we never had as long as we were in Russia," Pat said, "we had been told to wear our name badges. Once the children started to perform, each tourist had a child come up and slip his hand into yours. They led us up to the stage and sang to us and then they took us to seats in the audience and sat with us."

"One of our Auburn folks, Warren Craven '49, was so impressed by his little boy he wanted to give him something, but we had been told not to give them individual gifts. If we had candy we could give it to the teachers and they could pass it out to all the children. Well, Warren's little boy wanted his name tag, so finally Warren said 'what the heck' and took it off and pinned it on him. Well, that really started something," said Pat. "I was sitting right behind Warren and my little boy looked up at me. He had learned to say my name and kept saying 'Pat Brackin' over and over again. He turned to all the children around him and said, 'Pat Brackin, Pat Brackin.' So finally I pronounced Auburn University so he could understand what it was. He would say, 'Auburn, USA, Auburn, USA,' over and over again. I knew I'd better not get rid of my name tag because I'd been told not to."

As the Alumni representative I didn't want to be caught with no name tag so I dug into the bottom of my purse and found my Auburn University staff name tag, mine and Glenn's. So I took my staff name tag out, pinned it on that child, and he was thrilled to death. Well, my name badge is still in Russia and it doesn't say Auburn, USA, but it says Auburn University. I gave Glenn his and he gave it to his little boy. So when we left we had two little boys wearing Pat and Glenn Brackin name badges waving goodbye to us."

The Americans noticed that not only were they shown a lot of war monuments but they saw huge billboards throughout Moscow with pictures of a young boy and a soldier on them, but they could never get anyone to tell them what the billboards meant. Except for those at the farm, they never saw children. Typical of the war interest they saw expressed in the people, the Auburn travelers noticed in the reading materials the children had at the camp, "every picture had to do with war. You don't know if they were telling children that you've got to do everything to prepare yourself for war or if they're telling the children that war is so bad you need to work for peace. We spent two hours with the children which went by like 30 minutes. They were just so gentle, yet very disciplined and organized. By far the friendliest Russians are the children."

After Odessa, the tour group left Russia and went into Bulgaria. "When we got to Bulgaria, we noticed a remarkable change in the people," emphasized Pat. "They seemed to be happier and to have more freedom. Even though they are communists, they still have more freedom. There the people wanted to talk to us. In Russia they would not talk to you; if you talked to them, they would not respond. But in Bulgaria the people seemed freer and not afraid to talk to you. On one bus ride, we had a group of six girls who were studying English who rode with us because they wanted to practice their English. They

asked us lots of questions. To them, America seemed very far away and they, too, think we don't have peace on our minds, and they let us know that they want peace. That seemed to be the general theme in every conversation. Every time people talked to us they would say that they wanted peace. Another difference between Bulgaria and Russia was that you saw children in the streets with their parents. You didn't see that in Russia."

On the cruise all the ship's staff were Russian, including a brother and sister who were the ship's doctors. They spoke no English, which was a definite handicap when Glenn Brackin got sick and all the other people had gone into town for a folk show.

"I communicated with the doctor by using my Russian dictionary," says Pat. "I'd point to the English word and he'd read the Russian translation. But we got Glenn well." Although they had Russian lessons on board the ship and learned to speak a few words—the quickest one they learned was "nyet" (no) which they learned from experience rather than the classes. In addition a Russian professor from the University of Alberta gave lectures on the ship. In other activities, the Americans put on a play called Neptune's feast in which several Auburn alumni participated.

The Auburn travelers found the Russians on the ship very friendly. "We even got them to wear American flags on flag day," said Pat. "Our alumni friend, from Emory, Sally Wood, had brought a little box of American flags and a box of pins, and we pinned an American flag on everybody including the Russian captain and the Intourist staff, the people who control all the travel in Russia. On the last night they toasted us and toasted peace and asked that we take back the message that the Russians want peace."

Some of the Auburn people raised questions by comments they wrote in the ship's *Continued on page 18*

# Growing Pains

Auburn Tears Down the  
Old and Builds For the Future

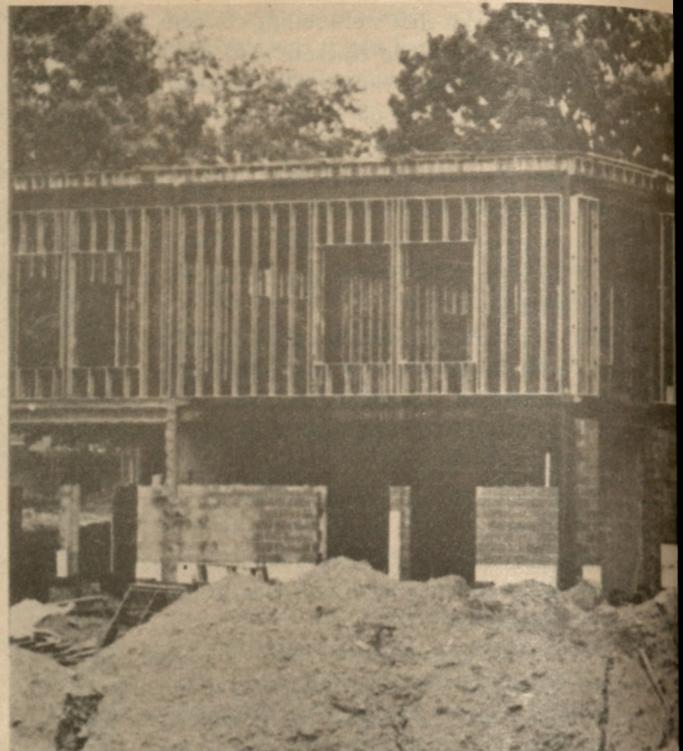


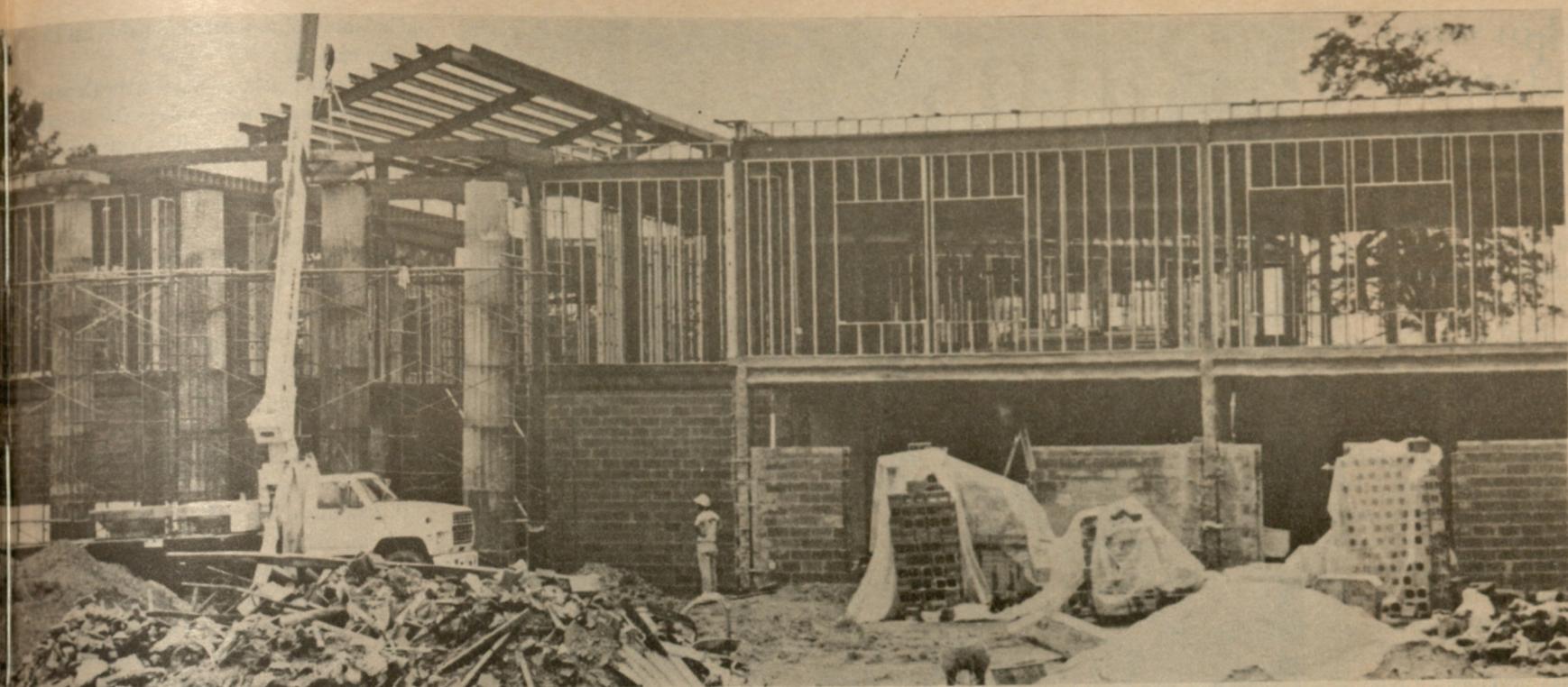
STADIUM EXPANSION—Workers prepare a steel cable to lift drilling rigs and steel pipes while setting the foundation at the east side addition to Jordan-Hare Stadium.



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Mike Lennon*

**A GENTLE TOUCH**—A construction worker with a backhoe carefully removes concrete sidewalk sections near the I. Building in preparation for new sidewalks and landscaping.





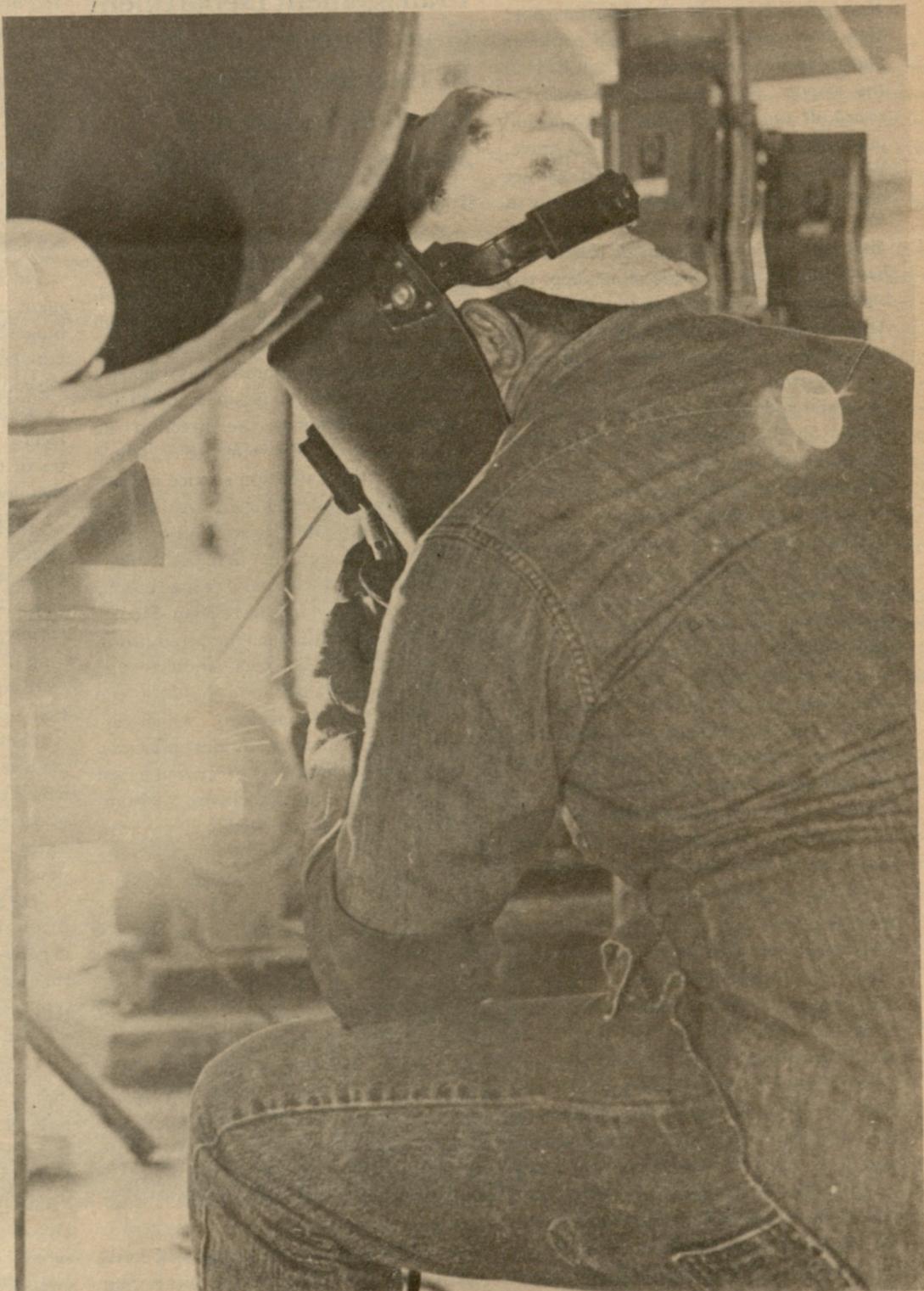
**SOMETHING OLD—SOMETHING NEW**—Four stone columns from old Broun Hall—the former home of Auburn ROTC programs—are set in place by workers to support the front of the new ROTC building on the corner of Donahue Drive and Thach Ave.



**CONCENTRATION**—A skilled welder combines experience and an artist's touch to lay a perfect seam of molten steel that joins two pieces of utility pipe.



**MAN AND MACHINE**—Massive machinery dots the Auburn skyline near Jordan-Hare Stadium and dwarfs a construction worker nearby.



## Russia Trip

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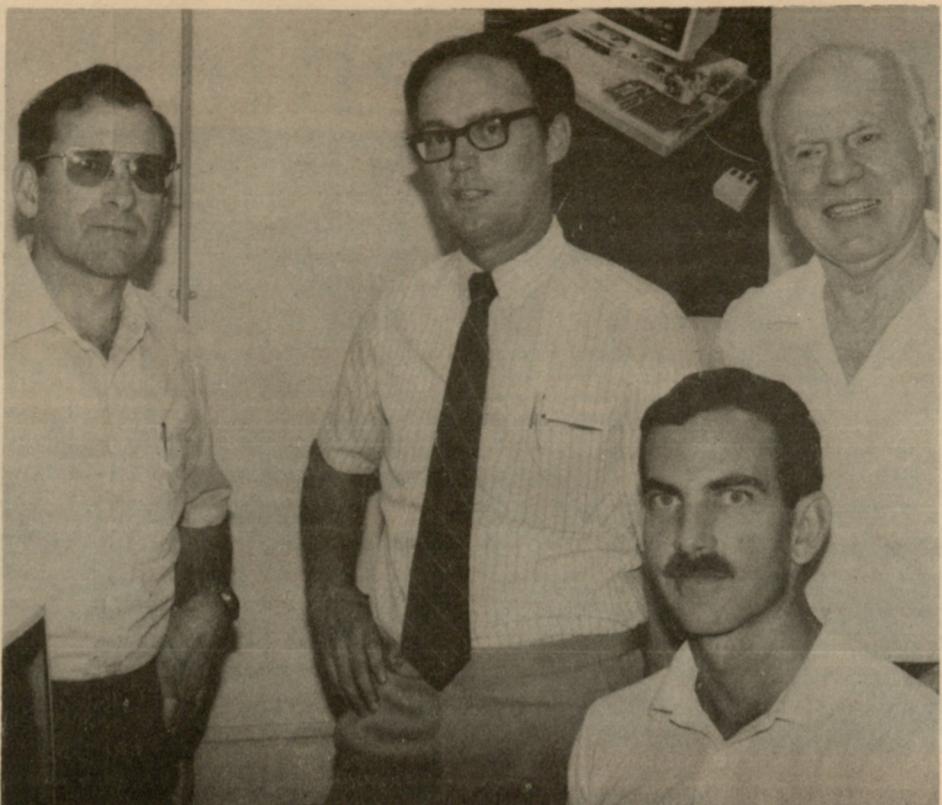
guest book in which they added a "War Eagle" at the end, Glenn recalled. One of the Russians came to the Brackins wanting to know what they mean by this War Eagle some of the Auburn people were writing. Pat hastened to explain that it had nothing to do with war.

Leaving the Black Sea, the ship traveled up the Danube to Romania, which the Brackins found very impressive. The Americans left the ship and stayed at the Hilton Intercontinental, "which was much different from the Cosmos in Moscow," Pat stresses. "The hotel was super, the farewell party was fantastic, and you saw happy people." Among the tours included in Romania was a visit to Dracula's castle. "We enjoyed Romania and it was a good way to end a long, tiring trip in which a number of our folks developed a type of influenza. The flu didn't stop the Auburn folks but they didn't feel real good. An Auburn doctor, Charles Morgan '48, helped us a lot; he went beyond the call of duty to listen to everybody's symptoms and give advice."

In Romania the Auburn people said goodbye to the group from Canada and traveled back through Frankfurt. When they got back to the Frankfurt Airport, they saw where the bomb had exploded shortly after the Auburn entourage had left the airport. Pat described the area "as roped off and the Germans had come and put flowers on it as if it were an open grave. We all began to think if we could just get back to the good ol' USA we were going to kiss the ground, because we had heard then about the air crash just outside Ireland and had begun to learn a little more about the hijacking. The security at the Frankfurt Airport was really beefed up. They had picked up our luggage which had been checked from Romania and we had to reclaim it and identify it before it could be loaded on the plane home. They placed your luggage and let you on. It was a good precaution that prevented any unclaimed suitcases from being on board."

When the Auburn people got on the plane in Frankfurt for the final leg of the trip to Atlanta, the first person they saw, on the front row, was an Auburn graduate, Ann Dudley Jenkins '76, who was traveling with a three-year-old son and eleven-month-old twin daughters. "They looked just like future Auburn students with their Auburn hair and blue eyes," said Pat. "Once we had seen them, everybody began to loosen up and feel that we were really on our way home, even though we had a nine and one-half hour flight from Frankfurt."

On the Fourth of July the Brackins had several phone calls from Auburn alumni who were on the trip and from friends they made with other universities. "They all said, 'I'm more thankful now for freedom than I've ever been in my life.' Russia was truly a learning experience, and an experience I wouldn't trade anything for," said Pat. "I would hope that in ten years I would have the opportunity to go back to Russia and find that they have begun to make progress like the Bulgarians and Romanians have. I think most of the people on the trip would like to go back in ten years and see a new Russia, a Russia that's more open and free and at peace with the world."



**THE MANAGEMENT TEAM**—Dr. Bill Holley and program chairmen pose by a computer in the computerized business application laboratory established with funds that they raised from the Excellence in Management program. From left to right, are, Dr. Charles Snyder, associate professor of management information systems; Dr. Holley; Fred Adams, associate professor of production operations management; and seated, Kevin Mossholder, associate professor of personnel and industrial relations

—Photo by Ruth Schowalter

## Management Department Goes Entrepreneurial In Excellence Effort, Involves Industry & Moves Toward Ph.D.

By Kaye Lovvorn

When Bill Holley joined the faculty in 1969, he chose Auburn because it was close enough to Tuscaloosa that he could finish his dissertation without having to travel too far. And, too, his major professors told him that in a new program such as Auburn's two-year-old School of Business, he'd have a chance to influence the direction the school would go. His wife, Betty, who'd worked for the Extension service in Centreville, also worked for Extension here and by the time his dissertation was finished, they decided they liked Auburn—and here they stayed. And it turned out his professors at Alabama were right. He has had a chance to influence the programs in Auburn's School of Business—most recently as Alumni Professor and head of the Department of Management, which currently has several new activities underway.

The newest thing in the Department of Management is the Excellence in Management program launched in an effort to make the Auburn Department "one of the finest in the country." And that's not just rhetoric. The Department of Management has already made progress which means that building on its strength could make it as solid as Dr. Holley would like it to be.

Earlier in the year when he wrote to management alumni announcing the Excellence in Management program, he could point to a series of accomplishments made by the students and professors in his department. Among them are: students with admission rankings 21.2 percent higher than the national average, a master's program that in two years has grown from four students to 34, faculty who have written six textbooks used in more than 400 schools and colleges, the two most

recent presidents of the Southern Management Association with a third member of the faculty due to become president in November, and the highest ranking in the U.S. among programs not offering a Ph.D. in number of faculty articles published in the journals of the Academy of Management, the major professional association, as well as being the only department in the Southeast to be listed in the top twenty.

Dr. Holley is very proud of the department and he is quick to pass out "one of our brag sheets," which is a letter from the University of Georgia professor who reviewed Auburn's proposed Ph.D. program, in which he said, "I know of no other faculty with the talent and professional status of the Auburn management program that does not already offer a Ph.D."

"Maybe he just said that because we kept saying it so much when he was here," muses Dr. Holley with a grin, "and it just subtly soaked in and when he wrote the review there the words were. I learned a long time ago that if you didn't think you were good and didn't let people know that, then nobody else thought you were good."

In addition to the reviewer from Georgia, the department also has received kind words from another outside observer, one of the candidates who came to Auburn to interview for dean of the School of Business.

"He said he would put us in the top five in the South as far as the management department is concerned. I don't know if that's an accurate assessment," admits Dr. Holley, "but at least it's an assessment by another person from outside."

The Department of Management is one of four departments in the School of Business. It currently has 29 faculty members and 390 majors—most of them in the main three management programs and a few in a joint program operated with the Theatre Department. The bulk of the juniors and seniors have chosen majors in production operations management, personnel and industrial relations, or management, "the

old business administration major," as Dr. Holley explains.

In addition to its own majors, the Department of Management "shares the burden of all the pre-business folk, which is more than 2,000." The department also has 34 graduate students enrolled in the master's program, which offers specialization in three areas: management information systems, human resources management, and production/operations management.

The graduate management information systems program attracts students who are interested in applying computers to management, whether at a university, a large hospital or with engineering, accounting, or industrial firms.

Production/operation concentrates on work in manufacturing, quality control, inventory, control, etc. "It's a pretty hot area right now with the Japanese taking over so many things," says Dr. Holley. "Also popular are inventory control and what they call 'just-in-time' inventory control." Explains Dr. Holley, "You're just about ready to give out of your product and all of a sudden in comes just what you need."

Master's students specializing in human resources are "mostly people who will be personnel managers or in industrial relations. Generally our graduates are involved in labor relations and every once in a while we have someone who will be a job analyst or a salary analyst," says Dr. Holley.

No matter in which area a student chooses to concentrate, the master's program in management is a thorough one at Auburn. Unlike most curricula in which a student follows a bachelor's with a master's in the same area, one doesn't have to major in management as an undergraduate in order to qualify for Auburn's management master's programs.

"In fact, it would probably be better if you didn't major in management," according to Dr. Holley, "because we have three very concentrated courses at the undergraduate level and then when the students get to the master's level they would duplicate some of what they had as undergraduates. Some people think—we've had outside faculty members say at any rate—that in some of our curricula, we're doing more at the undergraduate level than a lot of schools are doing at the graduate level, particularly in personnel and the production/operation management program. We have courses in personnel research, labor arbitration, negotiation, and personnel legislation that a lot of the big schools only teach at the graduate level."

In addition to the master's level programs, the Management Department is currently seeking to add a Ph.D. program with the same specialties as the master's program. Contrary to the situation in many fields, management is an area with a large demand for doctorates. "In addition to teaching, which is of course one thing Ph.D. graduates could do, there is also a tremendous market for people with Ph.D.s in business and consulting," explains Dr. Holley. "The program we are proposing would be unique to the state and wouldn't overlap with the University of Alabama's general business program."

In connection with its Excellence in Management program, the Department of Management is seeking to involve local industry. First the department scheduled more courses from five to seven p.m., "so people who work fulltime during the day

can take those courses." Because the industries will be gaining from the courses, Dr. Holley hopes that, in lieu of additional tuition, the companies will "contribute directly to the Excellence in Management program. And we've gotten some good support from local industry. I think as the program continues to grow, we'll be having more and more students attending the courses from five to seven. It's really not an inconvenience to the full-time students," he explains, "and it does allow the classes to be a combination of full-time students and local industry people. I think that mix probably adds to the class."

Dr. Holley's next step will be contacting all the companies who recruit Auburn management graduates. "This is a partnership between Auburn and industry, and to support the program is to invest in their firm's future," he emphasizes. "I really believe that. I hope we can develop a partnership with a lot of firms who become sponsors in the Excellence in Management program and then the students who are here will recognize their value and go to work for the companies who invest in the program."

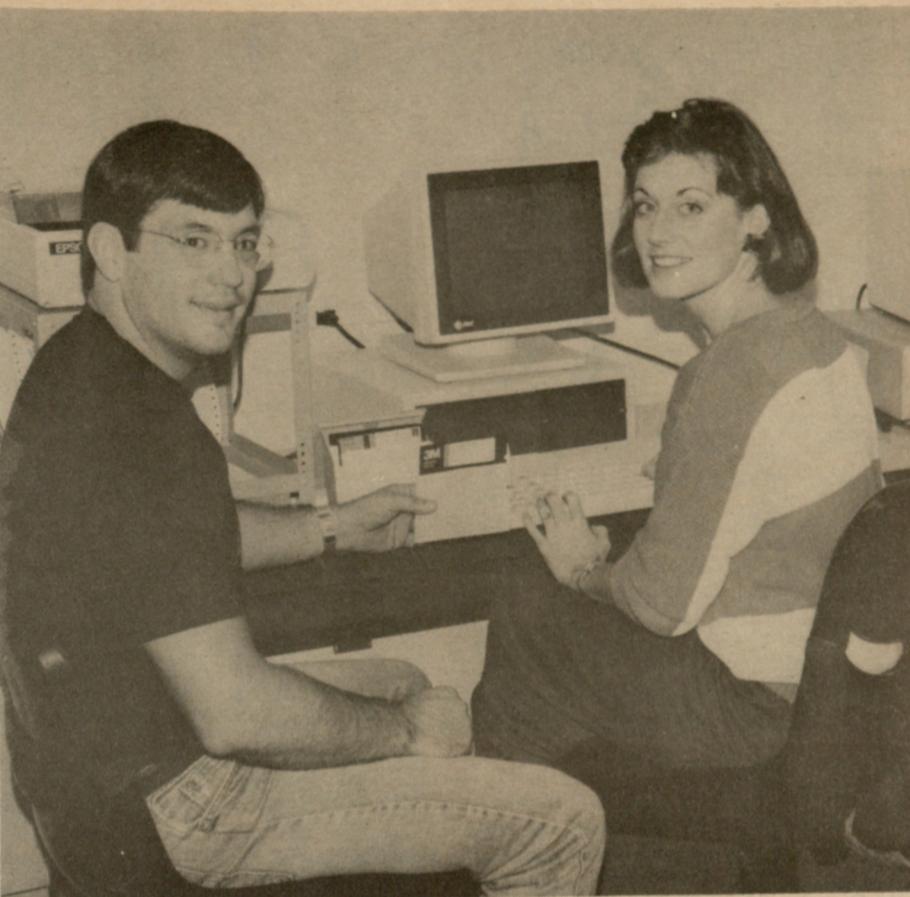
Although it only began this year, the Excellence in Management program has already attracted interest and support of enough companies and management graduates to get results for some of the Management Department's objectives.

"We've raised enough money to have a computerized business application laboratory that will be used for classes as well as research. We are awarding five tuition scholarships to truly outstanding students—they are really good," emphasizes Dr. Holley. The five students are Warren Cato, Jude Sferes, Judy Krauthamer, Martha Schiesz, and Martha Robinson. "We've had some top executives come to campus. For example, we had the president of AT&T's information systems here in July and we picked up the expense for a reception for him."

Also planned are an Excellence in Management Day in which students and faculty can interact with executives; an awards banquet to honor five outstanding managers of the year as well as student accomplishments; a reception held before a football game so alumni and future students could meet faculty and sponsors of the Excellence in Management program; a job referral system with a job bank of alumni; and a visiting executives program to speak to students and faculty.

In attempting to get more input from industry into the management program at Auburn, Dr. Holley says, "we've brought in faculty who've had a good bit of industrial experience. Another thing we've started is a Center of Productivity and Organization Effectiveness. We don't have any support for it," Dr. Holley concedes, "but it's an idea. We hired Wiley Boyles, who's been very successful in grants and contracts at AUM, to head that center, which is going to be the arm of the department for research, contracts, and grants. We hope that it will be nationally recognized as a center for identifying problems with industries and helping solve them. We hope that eventually when a firm has an organization problem they will think of Auburn's center of productivity as the place to come to help them solve those problems.

"We haven't actually gotten much university support, but Wiley worked on contacts to raise some money himself, so we



MEETING CHALLENGES—Management graduate students Kurt Kaminsky and Martha Schiesz tackle with ease the new computers in the lab. Martha is one of five students who were awarded a full tuition scholarship through the Excellence in Management program.

—Photo by Ruth Schowalter

have what you could call a little bit of working capital. And then next year we'll start off with step two in our plans. We're sort of becoming entrepreneurs, which I think is in the spirit of Jim Martin. I guess maybe the whole university is becoming more entrepreneurial. And in the Management Department, since we teach that stuff, we ought to give guidance to the rest of the university on how to be entrepreneurial," he laughs.

"We've made amazing progress in the School of Business since 1968-69. And we're probably a lot better than people think we are. You know, it takes several years for a reputation to develop, and I think we're better than the public thinks,"

he adds, agreeing with President Martin's assessment soon after he became president that Auburn University as a whole is a lot better than its reputation.

One of the quotations from other men that Dr. Holley has remembered, he found on the room of the Von Braun Room at the Space Museum in Huntsville. "There were different quotes of Von Braun's around the room, but one I remember best. Somebody asked him to what he owed his success. His answer was, 'Late to bed, early to rise, work like hell, and advertise.' I think that's true. You can be great and if nobody knows it, it doesn't do any good. We're trying to make this department visible."



SUPPORT FOR MANAGEMENT—Armand Caruso of Tallahassee's Neptune Meter Co., left, presents a \$10,000 check to Bill Holley and Junior Feild, professor of management. The gift was used for a minicomputer lab and kicked off the Excellence in Management Program of alumni and corporate support for the department.

## Letter to Editor: Writers Protest Stadium Expansion

Dear Editor:

An act of the Auburn University Board of Trustees in a special meeting July 2 is apparently the last needed by that body to ensure a massive stadium expansion. The process has been marked by sophistry; the result can be viewed only with shame.

When this factitious project burst upon the world in December 1984, few objected because the Board gave assurance, in a unanimous resolution, that only revenue from athletic events would be used to underwrite the necessary bonds. "Student fees" were specifically excluded from any pledges to be made. Yet once it was learned that bonds to finance the construction would be rated lower and thus interest would be more costly unless there was a pledging of such funds, the print on the Board's resolution became infinitely finer, and the sophistry set in. In its July 2 action, the Board (though not unanimously) approved a "portion of student fees" as a guarantee and labeled its latest resolution a "clarifying explanation," rather than what it obviously is: a repudiation of its December commitment.

Board members—most of whom are alumni of Auburn—should have a surer understanding of the relationship between language, truth, and honor, if they wish to gain the respect of those they presume to lead or of those they are presumed to represent. Where, indeed, may Trust be placed?

There is, in fact, much sad irony in this whole sad case. The \$8 from each Auburn undergraduate that goes to the Athletic Department each quarter has been defined as a "ticket subsidy." (That new definition, in itself, gives the truth a quick turn.) If, as we understand, seating for students will actually be reduced by the "expansion," and if, in fact, the portion of student fees going to the Athletic Department is a "subsidy," then how many of Auburn's thousands of undergraduates are being denied by design what they are required to pay for?

If, as some say now, student seating displaced by the new expansion will be replaced in a less desirable location, such a required "subsidy" still will be no bargain for future Auburn undergraduates. In modern history at least, the Auburn student who is not a varsity athlete has never been a conspicuous interest of the university's Athletic Department.

A primary reason for building this expansion is not to provide more stadium space for students or for the regular ticket holder. Much of the capital expenditure will go to luxury suites, complete with kitchenettes and bars, for individuals rich enough to pay for them and persons privileged and powerful enough to be invited to view from such vantage the football games of a land-grant, people's university. Perhaps it is not surprising that the Board of Trustees is expressly included in this sweet accommodation.

The plain truth is that Auburn University should not be increasing the size of its football stadium, but rather should be using both its athletic revenues and the institution's considerable indebtedness

capabilities for the enhancement of its essential mission, which is higher education. What is now on the way to being erected at Auburn is a towering monument to false values and self-aggrandizement, a massive reminder of human confidence games and human weaknesses. As Auburn graduates, we can respond only with regret, disgust, and not a little shame.

Jerry E. Brown '67 Bert Hitchcock '63

## President Martin

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tors involved are very astute people. They see the criticism in a very realistic way and they're working to strengthen the program at Auburn, and as they make plans I'm sure we'll see some changes."

Among the changes that have already come about on the campus in recent months has been the closing of Alumni Hall as a dormitory. It will be used as office space.

"It is very difficult to make Samford Hall accessible to the handicapped," Dr. Martin explained, "and yet we have personnel benefits offices in here and in many cases people can't get in this building to the offices so we're looking at that building to be renovated to house some of the offices that deal with a lot of students and faculty so that we can make it accessible to the handicapped and also provide adequate space."

Lack of space is a problem all over campus, and another building, Petrie Hall (the old Field House), will soon be renovated to give some relief to the School of Arts and Sciences. Petrie has been vacant since the Department of Adult and Vocational Education moved into its new building several months ago. "Petrie has been assigned to the School of Arts and Sciences to alleviate some of the problems of space and office problems that are very serious in that school," said Dr. Martin. "Geology and portions of the Department of Mathematics are being moved in there."

As Auburn continues to have pressing space and staffing needs, President Martin was asked what he foresees as the role of the Alumni and Development Office in the next few years as it begins a new era following the completion of the Generations Fund and the retirement of Alumni Executive Director George L. Bradberry at the end of September.

"We've already discussed the Eminent Scholars Program, and the Library Expansion if that were to be forthcoming," Dr. Martin responded. "The need for scholarships for students based upon need and based on scholastic ability is still there. Certainly the Generations Fund has been very significant, and over the years it will be even more so as the pledges are paid and the money available grows, and that's very important to the quality of our programs," said Dr. Martin.

"But we are still losing, almost on a weekly basis, outstanding students who want to come to Auburn but instead go to other institutions with more scholarship money than we can provide. In some cases those institutions are not as large as Auburn, yet they have about the same amount of money budgeted for scholarships, so they have more money per student than we do," Dr. Martin continued.



**SAYING THANKS**—President James E. Martin, left, met recently with Lt. Gov. Bill Baxley to express the university's appreciation for his assistance during the recent legislative session in which the Auburn received a record appropriation. They also talked about a possible session of the legislature for a bond issue for education. Dr. Martin explained Auburn's needs for improved chemistry facilities, funds for asbestos removal, and a special \$5 million allocation for an addition to the Draughon library. Dr. Martin has said that if the state would provide \$5 million for the library in the bond issue, the university would seek an additional \$5 million in private support and then seek a tuition increase to back the additional money needed for the facility.

"Another factor is that Auburn is attracting such a high quality of students that a much larger proportion of our students have high ACT scores so we have a larger number in that scholarship category. We have more of them and we run out of money quicker."

Dr. Martin went on to say that Auburn's "always going to have a need" in support for the library, equipment for classrooms and laboratories and faculty development. "Technology is changing so rapidly and we have so many high technology types of programs and equipment is so expensive," he added. "And as we continue to try to give our faculty some time for renewal of their enthusiasm for their discipline and for Auburn University, the need for faculty improvement funds is always there. That's one of the things that's very important in retaining faculty. We need some sort of sabbatical program so that every five or six years faculty can spend six months at another university in this country or overseas—and I think that's going to be even more important in the future—and learn new things and then bring back those ideas to Auburn."

Among the good news that President Martin wanted to relay to alumni was an update on the faculty salaries, which have been behind similar colleges in the Southeast. "We made progress last year because the Legislature and Gov. Wallace gave us a good appropriation. We had another good appropriation this year, and we think we are going to be competitive." Before this past year, Auburn salaries had been at about 88 percent of the Southern regional average for institutions like Auburn. We moved up last year to about 93 or 94 percent and we think this year we'll be competitive in most areas," President Martin explained.

Another item of good news is the progress that is being made in research funding. "Our research efforts have been highly successful," said Dr. Martin. "Dr. Parks, the vice president for research, provides a monthly review so that we can see how we are progressing, and we are running about

through Auburn clubs in seven areas in Alabama and in cooperation with the Admissions Office, sponsored receptions for outstanding students. Those with ACT scores of 25 or better were invited to meet President and Mrs. Martin, the director of financial aid, and representatives from the faculty, student body and the admissions office. Dr. Martin said that 82 percent of those who attended the receptions have been admitted to Auburn for the fall. He also noted that "we have a significant increase in the number of National Merit Finalists who have been admitted for the fall. And I believe that we were in the top 50 institutions last year with respect to the number of National Merit Finalists who enrolled—and we expect that to be up significantly this fall.

On the subject of alumni contributions to Auburn, Dr. Martin returned to comment on the Generations Fund. "The conclusion of the Generations Fund was a great event in terms of its success and the payoff which will be more important for future generations of students than the current. I don't think any of us here today can fully appreciate how significant that event was and what it meant to Auburn. For instance, the new civil engineering building that John Harbert gave us that should be completed in the not too distant future. If we didn't have that coming I don't know what we'd do. We'd just be totally out of space."

In further comment on construction, Dr. Martin said included in the \$11 million in construction currently underway on campus are projects that will "make us more efficient in air-conditioning and heating" as well as provide better means of communication via telephone, computer, and closed-circuit television. In addition the construction will put all overhead utility wires underground, which will improve the looks of the campus.

"We do have private donors who are very interested in the beautification of the campus. As we get through the construction, we will begin this fall some plantings that will be part of a long-range campus beautification project." Not only will the campus look better, once the construction is completed, but Dr. Martin says that it will function better and the whole project will "significantly strengthen the university's ability to put more of its resources into academic programs rather than into heating and air-conditioning buildings."

Last fall, The Alumni Association,



# Recent Retirees



**EXTENSION ECONOMIST**—Charles Maddox, center, accepts an official commendation from President James E. Martin during retirement ceremonies honoring Mr. Maddox for his 30 years of service. Taking part in the luncheon ceremony was Mr. Maddox's wife, Wilma.

## His Winning Essay In Pig Program First Step To An Extension Career

By Jack Smith  
Extension Service

The county Extension agent showed up at the Maddox farm in Elmore County on that summer day in 1939 with a pig in a poke, literally.

A little Duroc gilt, its nose protruding from the burlap bag under the agent's arm, was being delivered as a reward for young Charles, who had written the winning essay in a 4-H Club pig chain program sponsored by Sears-Roebuck.

"Writing that essay and winning the pig gave me confidence and for the first time I began to think about going to college and maybe one day working for the Extension Service myself," said Charles Maddox.

He did go to college, at Auburn, and earned two degrees, the B.S. in agricultural science and the M.S. in agricultural economics.

Mr. Maddox retired October 31 after 30 years with the organization—a period that saw him lead nationally recognized educational programs in agricultural economics and farm management.

"It all fell into place," he said of a career that included service under all but two of Auburn Extension's 10 directors and acting directors. "It seems like yesterday that it began," he said. "I have no regrets. I can think of nothing I would rather have done."

Mr. Maddox, who lives with his wife, Wilma, in Auburn, was all set to retire Dec.

31, 1983, as head of Extension agricultural economics. But he was asked to stay on for a few months as the Extension Service's acting associate director by Ray Cavender, who had been named acting director.

When the new director, Ann Thompson, came on board he could go ahead and retire.

"We're going to miss him," said Dr. Thompson. "Even during my short time here it has become obvious that Charles is respected by his peers and looked to by people throughout the organization for his good counsel and advice. He has the interests of people and their needs at heart."

Mr. Maddox can look back over a career that began on a Saturday morning in July 1954 when he reported to work in Opelika as an assistant county agent working with Lee County 4-H Club boys. Six years later he was named as farm management specialist on the state Extension staff, becoming the first person in the organization's history to carry that title.

"I had become interested in ag economics when I began working with the Farm and Home Development program in Lee County," he said. "But it was Dr. Ed Chastain who influenced me to get a degree in that field when I began work toward my master's degree at Auburn."

In 1976, Mr. Maddox was promoted to the position of head of Extension agricultural economics. Over the years, he has pioneered a number of programs that have gained national attention. In 1980, he was instrumental in launching the state's first farm business analysis association by which farmers could get one-to-one expert guidance on farm management. Today, three such associations exist in Alabama, and others are being planned.

He has conducted hundreds of workshops for farmers and county agents over the years on a wide range of topics, including estate planning, farm taxes, farm management, and others. His work has taken him to every corner of the state, and, while he has no idea of the number of miles he has driven, he says he has worn out at least seven automobiles.

During his early years as a specialist, Mr. Maddox was assigned to work in the TVA Extension Rapid Adjustment Program, and it was during that time, he said, that he came to realize the impact technology and management can have on a farm operation.

He still maintains contact with a Franklin County Rapid Adjustment family, which, through Mr. Maddox's help, literally lifted itself by the bootstrap to become a highly successful dairy operation.

"There's a lot of satisfaction when you see something like that happen," he said.

What's ahead in retirement?

"No sleeping late," Mr. Maddox said. "I'm a morning person. I like to see the sun come up. I do plan to hunt doves and turkeys when I get the chance."

He also likes to fish—if they're biting. "Wilma is the fisherman in the family," he said. "She's good at it. I get impatient. If they're not biting I'm ready to do something else."

The Maddoxes have a place on Lake Martin. "We'll spend a good part of the warm weather months up there," he said. "But we don't plan to live up there full time."

His thoughts, he said, will continue to be with Auburn University and with the Extension Service. Both have exciting futures, he believes, under the leadership of President Martin and Director Thompson.

And when the fish aren't biting he may even occasionally think of that pig in a

poke which steered him toward a career with Auburn University and the Extension Service.

## Retiring Sforzini To Continue to Teach, Consult & Do Research with NASA 'At Own Pace'

By Jim Killian  
AU News Bureau

"We had to show them it could be done, and at the time it was the largest rocket motor of its kind." Richard Sforzini, of Auburn's Department of Aerospace Engineering, has been showing them ever since that it can be done.

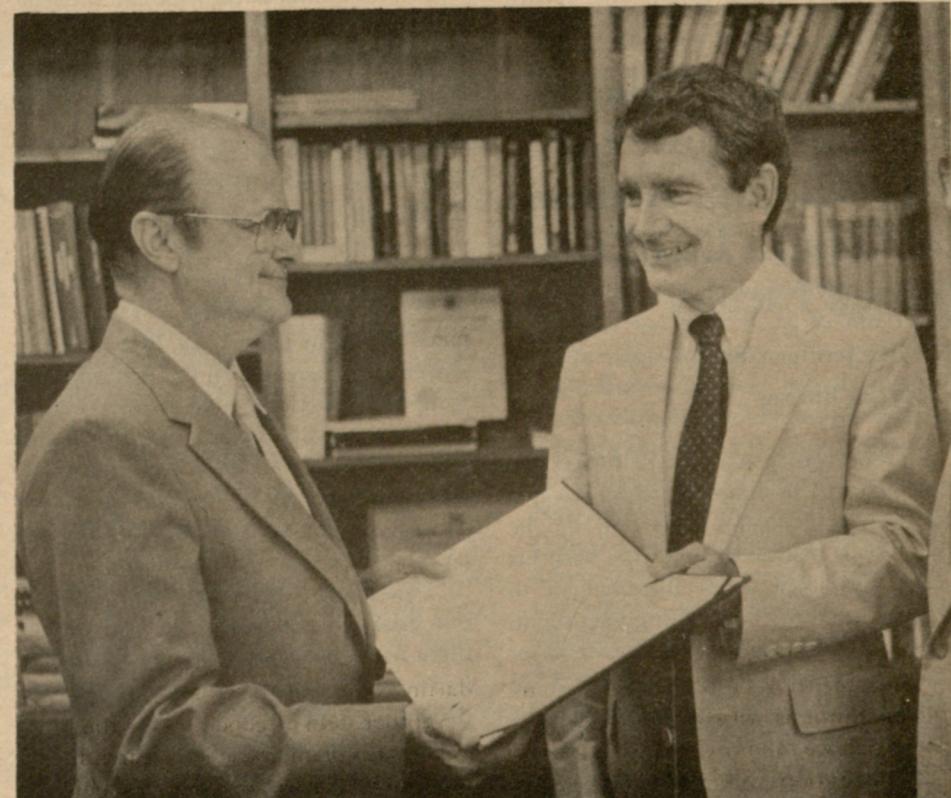
He was talking about an engineering project that laid the groundwork for the space shuttle's twin solid-propellant booster rockets, and that also paved his way to a career at Auburn—though maybe somewhat inadvertently.

Explains Prof. Sforzini, who retired from the university on July 1:

"This was 1966, and I was director of engineering at Thiokol Corporation's space booster division. We wanted to show that solid rockets could be cheaper, more dependable and faster to produce than the liquid-fueled ones.

"We were successful, but because the Saturn V project was approaching its zenith then, and it was liquid fueled, we ended up having a demonstration program more than anything else. There was at the time no mission for our rocket."

When Bill Sherling '47 (now associate professor emeritus) came over with a group of students to tour Thiokol, he con-



**ROCKET RESEARCHER RETIRES**—Prof. Richard Sforzini, left, who recently retired from aerospace engineering, helped build the rocket motor that lay the groundwork for the twin-propellant solid booster rockets used on the Space Shuttle. He receives a certificate from engineering dean Lynn Weaver.

vinced the restless engineer to give Auburn a try.

"Also," adds Prof. Sforzini, "Fred Martin was on the Auburn faculty and he had worked with me before on projects."

Even before then, when he was employed by Thiokol at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, he heard others yell "Roll Tide" and "War Eagle."

"It really didn't mean much to me then, so I took it all in a light vein," he recalls. "And when I left for Auburn, it was only on a leave of absence from Thiokol. They wrote two years later and said I had to make up my mind, and, of course, I guess I already had."

Prof. Sforzini never regretted his choice, and through the years has led his students through the principles of propulsion, teaching other courses as well, such as aerodynamics and aviation management courses.

"Our faculty has increased over the years, but more than that, there certainly has been an improvement in the quality of teaching at Auburn."

"There are also the buildings—I know it's a low measure of performance, maybe not a big part in determining quality, but the number of new buildings on campus is perhaps the most obvious sign of our growth."

Prof. Sforzini plans to stay active, now that he's retired but, he says with a laugh, "at my own pace."

He's proud that his pioneering work in large-scale solid rockets has contributed to the success of the space shuttle, and he still holds contracts from NASA for research. "I've worked with the space agency since 1971, and it's been an enriching experience not only for myself, but for my students as well."

Now he will teach some, consult some.

"Even before I went to Thiokol, I taught at West Point. I was in the service for 13 years, not counting cadet time...so I'm really retiring from my third career."

Dr. Sforzini and his wife, Corrine, have a son, Mark, the youngest of seven children, who's a junior at Auburn High. So they plan to remain in Auburn.

"I can't tell you how old the others are—Corrine might not like that, if you know what I mean—but four of them are Auburn graduates."

## Family 'Black Sheep' Preferred Music to Engineering, Alabama to Auburn Until He Joined Faculty

By Mike Jernigan '80

AU News Bureau

Laurence Morgan is the self-described "black sheep" in a family rich in Auburn engineering graduates. Not only did he study music instead of following both his father and uncle from Birmingham to Auburn and the School of Engineering; to top it off, he attended the University of Alabama, where he received his B.A. in 1949 after serving for three years with the U.S. Army in England.

"There was a lot of pressure on me to go to Auburn and get an engineering degree," Prof. Morgan remembered. "But I don't think I was very well-suited to be an engineer. If I had built a bridge it probably



**MUSIC PROF**—Laurence Morgan, who taught woodwinds, ensemble, and jazz theory to a generation of Auburn students as well as stayed active as a performer, recently retired from the Auburn Music Department.

would have fallen down in a week or so."

But even though he didn't come to Auburn to work toward an engineering degree, he did eventually find his way back into the family good graces when he came here as an associate professor of music in 1973. He retired on June 1, after a distinguished 12-year Auburn career during which he taught woodwind instruments, ensemble, and jazz theory to a generation of students.

After earning his M.A. at New York City's Columbia University in 1950, Prof. Morgan began looking for a job as a studio musician there. But the "big band" sound was on the decline at the time and when he was given the opportunity to teach woodwinds back at his alma mater in Tuscaloosa he decided to return home to the South. He's been down South ever since.

He taught woodwinds and other courses at Alabama from 1950 to 1973 where he met his wife, Julia, an accomplished pianist and organist who came with him as an associate professor of music to Auburn in 1973 and is still teaching in the department. While in Tuscaloosa, Prof. Morgan played the bassoon with the Birmingham Symphony and was first clarinet in the Alabama Pops Orchestra. He also found time to play occasionally with such touring groups as the bands of Buddy Morrow, Bob Crosby, Vaughn Monroe, and Ray McKinley whenever they were in the area.

"I was going to Birmingham to play with one group or the other just about every night for a few years there, until my wife laid down the law and I decided it was time to cut back a bit."

Only a little bit, however. While on the faculty at Auburn, Prof. Morgan has continued to be a very active musician, playing with numerous groups including the Columbus Symphony Orchestra and the Auburn Wind Quintet. But he notes that

high school students and stay active in the Auburn Wind Quintet and other local groups.

"I don't plan on sitting around the house watching soap operas all day," he said with a grin as he prepared to leave to run his son's paper route while the latter is at summer camp. (The Morgans have three children.) "But after thirty-five years of teaching I'm looking forward to having a little more free time of my own. I think that I will stay plenty busy."

## Sanders, First Radio TV Instructor at AU, Writes 'The End' to Teaching Career

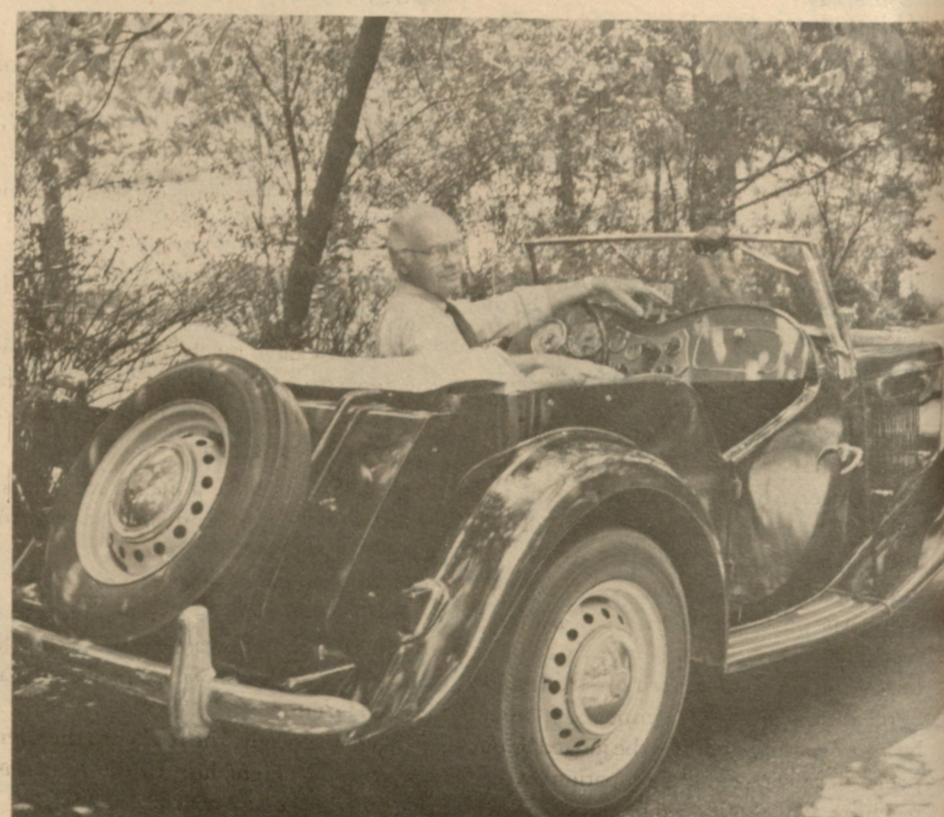
By Dru McGowen  
AU News Bureau

By the time 29-year-old Jay Sanders' dream of owning an MG came true, 20 years had passed and he had established a reputation slightly different than he might have had he toured the countryside then in the sporty '51 MG coupe he now owns. Today, the antique is simply another accoutrement.

At one time the Auburn University speech communications professor was known as the "little man with the big dogs." He could be seen all over town walking his grey Great Danes and Irish wolfhounds. After they died, he got into raising horses, currently owning four and riding two, Hallelujah Chorus and Fancy Dancer, in area shows, properly outfitted in tux and bowler.

But the man who retired spring quarter after 33 years at Auburn and introducing the study of mass communications into the curricula, has an even more tangible claim to fame. As the first teacher of radio, television and film at Auburn, he has given 19,000 students an insight into themselves and society through the viewing, discussion, analyzing, and making of films.

"I just hope I've inspired them to go on and do something worthwhile or enlightened them or somehow enriched their



**DREAM COME TRUE**—Jay Sanders, pictured in his '51 MG coupe, spent 33 years introducing Auburn students to radio and television courses and teaching them to look at movies in new ways.

lives," he says as he clears his office of books, tapes, props, and plants.

His beginning film class always had more than 100 students. It was a cross-campus course with engineers, as well as students from architecture, the liberal arts, and business, enrolled.

"Some of them enrolled just to be learning something different," he admits. "It could even be called a film appreciation class. They soon realized how you don't need verbiage, how film transcends language and how visual images are so strong you can view a film in Russian, even, and know what is happening by what you see."

Prof. Sanders' students see how film reflects social values. "In the '30's, for example, Depression films were sheer escape and that was their beauty. Years from now someone will look back on our science fiction and other films and know pretty much what we were thinking about."

Prof. Sanders believes the United States has taken permissiveness too far from the realism that began in Europe with the Bergman films. The students roar when they hear about the furor raised when Rhett Butler frankly didn't give a damn.

Television, of course, made big changes. "We suddenly had home entertainment, and television is insatiable."

"We're hearing it all, seeing it all today. Even my students are beginning to say, 'so what?' Brutality can only be carried so far. Eventually, we will be so satiated that we will go in a different direction," he believes.

Prof. Sanders says most film "seems to be made for 16-18-year-olds today. Disney doesn't do kids' shows anymore and there are no movies for older people."

Striding back and forth, using his radio (and once, a circus barker's) voice, Prof. Sanders taught Modes of Film (the big class), Cinema and Society, and Film Making Classes.

Working in "real" radio in Florida and New York, he also played a part in the development of educational television at Auburn. The AU station was one of the first in the nation to go on the air and Prof. Sanders hosted "Anthology," "Cabbages and Kings" and "Mosaic" among other shows.

Jim Kilpatrick on national news was one of his students as was Denise Cannon, "my biggest celebrity," an anchor on NBC in Chicago. But he's proudest of having been named teacher of the year by Mortar Board and of his professor emeritus designation by the Board of Trustees.

And his teaching. "I'm the last of the Mohicans," he says. "I demanded written answers to my tests. I've lived too long, I guess. Good penmanship is a thing of the past. Attendance at classes is not what it should be."

"Have you ever seen the copy machine in the basement? I wonder if parents know what is happening with no compulsory attendance. All you need to pass a test today is a scan sheet, a number two pencil, and maybe a calculator."

Prof. Sanders feels there is too much emphasis on research in relationship to teaching and that deans and department heads "ought to ride herd on the faculty. Some only teach for 20 minutes. It would be a golden opportunity to be judged by our peers. In every other occupation except teaching, you're assessed by someone over you."

So what's he going to do with his newfound freedom?

"I hope to stay in good enough health to live life to its fullest. I plan to go to Europe this fall with Hugh Williams (retiring from the Department of Art faculty). What fun, not to have to be summer tourists for a change."

## Following Retirement Aerospace Engineering Prof. Fred Martin Off to New Zealand

By Jim Killian  
AU News Bureau

Ask Fred Martin what he plans to do after he retires from Auburn's Department of Aerospace Engineering, and he will probably reply softly, "Oh, nothing much...I may consult a little here and there, but nothing much."

Unless, of course, you consider flying down to Australia with a side trip to New Zealand as something. And doing it to keep tabs on your son who is circling the world in a 37-foot sailboat.

"There's no rush," he relates. "He's picking up a little money working a boat in California now, waiting for good weather."

And after all, Prof. Martin won't leave the university until September. The seasons down under are, of course, reversed from ours. He and wife Polly will be leaving in time for spring weather.

His son will have left California by then, just as Prof. Martin did almost 30 years ago as an employee of North American Aviation.

"I met Bill Sherling there, when he was working as a summer faculty employee. And I had met him before, when I was at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and we both attended meetings of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences as faculty advisors.

"When he called from Auburn with this job, I thought it would be good to get back into teaching, so I came, in December of 1956."

Prof. Martin taught aero courses and Prof. Sherling '47, now Professor Emeritus, taught structures and propulsion courses.

"I also taught rocket mechanics, which is now known as celestial mechanics and aeronautics," he notes. "We had wanted to teach that for some time, but the department head didn't think it could survive the review process. Then Sputnik went up...and two days later we had our course approved."

The biggest change he has seen at Auburn, Prof. Martin points out, is in course offerings.

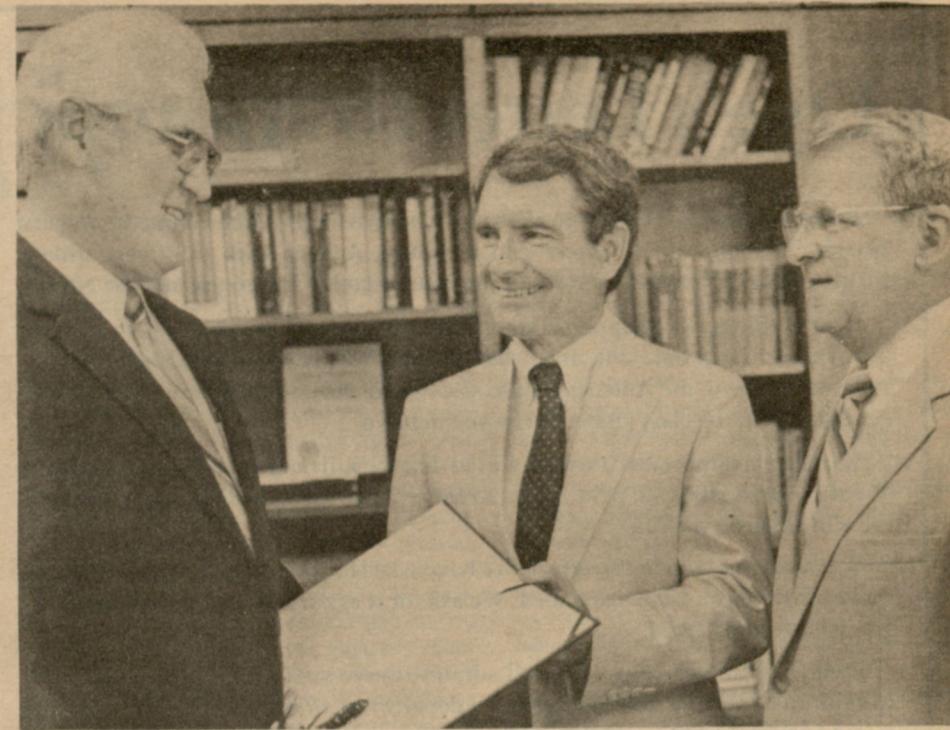
"We now have much more expertise in the department and areas like propulsion and stability control that have been developed through the years."

His students have gone on to work in industry and for government, and some for NASA, of course.

One of them sent his former teacher a framed mission arm patch and photo of his flight vehicle, in this case the space shuttle, STS-4, he flew with fellow Auburn grad Hank Hartsfield.

"Ken Mattingly," he replies to the silent question. "I taught him in the first class that I had here at Auburn."

His eyes travel beyond the matted and framed picture to a map of the world on the opposite wall. It is covered with stickpins



RETIRING—Retiring aerospace engineering professor Fred Martin, left, accepts congratulations from engineering dean Lynn Weaver, center, and department head James C. Williams.

detailing the progress his son has made so far in his globe-girdling sail.

"I'm thinking about taking my son Fred, Jr., and his wife with me and Polly, too. I haven't mentioned it to him yet, but I think he'll be willing to go...."

## Former Math Head Burton Retires After 31 Years

By Dru McGowen  
AU News Bureau

When Pat Burton decided to get up and go, he didn't go halfway. He left the Department of Mathematics at Auburn after 31 years, 12 of them as department head, and went flying off to San Francisco and Los Angeles. But only for a reunion with the 128th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion and a visit with daughter Lynne and grandchild Heather, seven. However he plans to keep traveling, though, taking advantage of an unusual and exciting flight plan where he and his wife, Evalyne, can "get up and go" anywhere in the United States for the next year for one set fee. Bound to see him soon will be daughter Dorothy in Philadelphia with grandsons Gabriel, six, and Christopher, two, and son Bob, who lives in New York City.

A native of Jasper, Prof. Burton earned the bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Alabama, and the Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina after attending Lehigh University and the University of Chicago.

In 1939 he received a commission through the ROTC program at the University of Alabama and served on active duty with the United States Army from 1941-45, including 18 months in Europe with the Third Army. He retired from the Army Reserve in 1978 with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Dr. Burton joined the AU faculty in 1954, having taught at the University of Alabama and the University of California-Davis. In 1965, he was named head of the department, a position he retained until the fall of 1977. He succeeded W.V. Parker, who had been serving jointly as depart-

ment head and dean of the Graduate School.

"Dr. Burton helped to build one of the strongest departments of mathematics in the southeast," said Edward H. Hobbs, dean of the School of Arts and Sciences. "It has both national and international reputation, particularly in the field of topology."

"Dr. Burton exemplified the faculty-oriented department head. He served on many important university committees, and served the institution, the School and the department with great skill and devotion."

James R. Wall, current department head, added, "The department has continued to rely on his leadership. Under his guidance the department experienced substantial growth in its research capability and stature."

"I have really enjoyed these past few years of teaching," Dr. Burton added. His own love for mathematics began as a freshman. He knew he wanted to learn and teach mathematics. "I enjoyed great support and encouragement from my parents," he remembers.

Author of numerous publications in the field of differential equations, Dr. Burton has continued his research and is developing a manuscript for possible use as a college textbook.

He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, is a past president of the Auburn chapter of Sigma Xi, and holds memberships in the American Mathematical Society and the Mathematics Association of America. Last year he was advisor to Pi Mu Epsilon, mathematics honorary.

Dr. Burton has been heavily engaged in graduate teaching and has directed several master's theses and doctoral dissertations. For two summers he served as director of a National Science Foundation Institute for College Teachers of Mathematics. For two other summers he served as research fellow both at the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies and at Argonne National Laboratories in Naperville, Ill. He served for six years on the AU Graduate Council.

Now professor emeritus, Dr. Burton will teach some this fall in addition to continuing work on his manuscript, "playing more golf, playing the piano, and catching up on some of the 'homework' I have stored up to do."

# Dye's Letter to Alumni

When we came to Auburn in 1981, we made a commitment to you, the Auburn people. We committed ourselves to providing Auburn with the finest athletic program possible under the rules of the Southeastern Conference and the NCAA.

A lot of things have happened since 1981 and a lot of things have changed, most of them for the better. One thing that has not changed, however, is our commitment to give you, the Auburn people, the kind of athletic program you deserve, a program with the class and integrity you deserve.

Winning is important. It always will be. But we will not pay any price for victory. We will not sacrifice our principles, our integrity or our sense of fair play. In short, we will abide by the rules.

We need your help in this effort. We have asked for your help many times before and each time you have responded. We ask for it again now and we are confident you will respond again.

Each year our coaching staff and administrative staff affirms their individual commitment and our commitment as a department to work within the rules and framework of the SEC and NCAA. We're asking that you join us in reaffirming your support of these principles.

Specifically we ask you to:

- 1) Leave all recruiting to the coaches. We know the rules; we know what we can and can't do. It is impossible for you as a fan to know all of the intricacies of the rules. If you know of an athlete we should consider, contact me or one of our coaches.
- 2) Not make any personal contact, directly or indirectly, with a prospective student-athlete. Any contact could be a violation.
- 3) Remember the rules apply from the time a high school student becomes a prospective student-athlete until he or she actually begins attending class at Auburn. There are certain rules that extend on beyond that period.
- 4) Contact me or Coach Oval Jaynes, our associate athletic director, if you have a question about what you can or can't do or what we can or can't do in a particular situation.

Don't take a chance. The chances are too great to run the risk of being wrong. Too much would be placed in jeopardy. If you do anything other than what is outlined above it could result in an embarrassing situation for you and a potentially damaging situation for our department and the school you love. As alumni, friends, and supporters, it is incumbent on you to follow the rules as it is for any coach or staff member. We can control our coaches and staff. We have to count on you to act in good faith for us.

It is important to remember that rules and regulations apply to student-athletes for the entire time they are at Auburn, not just during the time they are being recruited. Once enrolled, an athlete can receive only what any other student on full scholarship would receive—nothing more. Room, board, books, tuition. That is all.

We had several situations this past year in which well-meaning individuals almost caused us to be in violation of rules and regulations. One alumni group wanted to present a gift to one of our seniors at a night being held in his honor. Even though the player had completed his eligibility, any such presentation would have been a clear violation of NCAA rules.

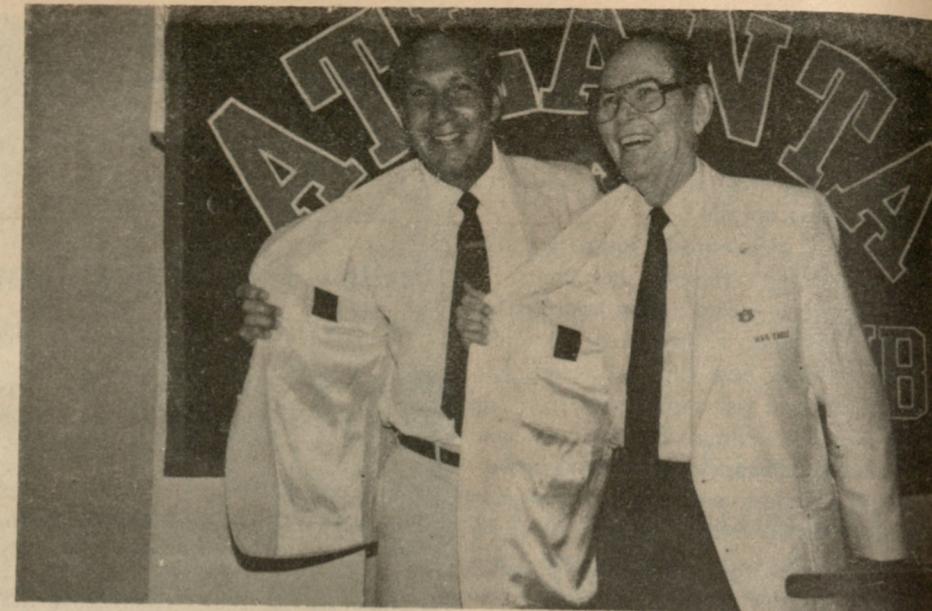
In another instance, one of our players was invited to participate in a walk-a-thon for charity at a mall. As worthwhile as the charity was, it would still have been a violation of the rules because the walk-a-thon was held at a commercial location.

Thanks to the alertness of our staff and our alumni, some potentially embarrassing situations were averted.

NCAA rules and the enforcement of those rules have received a lot of media attention since the special NCAA convention at New Orleans in June. There is no doubt that college presidents and the NCAA intend to enforce the rules as never before. Stricter penalties, including the so-called "death penalty," were instituted at that convention and procedures were put in motion to penalize coaches and athletes who violate rules. Under the "death penalty," a school's entire program could be suspended for repeated violations.

We could go into great detail discussing the various rules and their implementation, but the safer, surer way is to follow the procedure that has worked for us the last four years, the procedure outlined above. Before you do anything, check with me or Coach Jaynes. The alternative could be too horrible to comprehend.

But that's not the reason we want to abide by the rules. We want to abide by the rules because it is the right thing to do—the class, honorable thing to do. Four years ago we promised you a program with class and integrity. Our commitment has not lessened or changed. We ask for your help and your renewed commitment to join us in working toward these ends. It is the only way to be truly successful.



ATLANTA CLUB—The Atlanta Auburn Club held its annual Roy B. Sewell Summer Picnic on June 17 with Coach Pat Dye and Roy B. Sewell '22 as special guests. In the top photo the guests show off the Sewell labels in their jackets. In the bottom photo are, from left, Lisa Daniel, War Eagle girl; Terry L. Veazey '72, 3rd vice president; Joyce Reynolds Ringer '59, 1st vice president; Coach Dye; and Phil R. Rushing '65, president.

## Auburn Club News

MEMPHIS Auburn Club members held a banquet on the Stroh Belle on July 11. The 75 members attending heard Betty DeMent of the Alumni Office and Bud Casey of the athletic staff report on Auburn news and sports. Susan Bell Elledge '76 is president of the club.

Ninety-five alumni and friends attended the TALLAPOOSA-COOSA-CLAY Auburn Club meeting on July 18 at Willow Point Country Club. James E. Nix, Jr., '68 presided. In addition to hearing news from Auburn from Betty DeMent and Larry Blakeney, the club elected new officers. They are: James J. (Red) Phillips '58, president; Charles Chris Spraggins '80, vice president; and Jeanne Lee Wilder Holmes '71, secretary.

New officers of the CRENSHAW COUNTY Auburn Club elected on July 10 are Conrad Summerlin '46, president; John Allen Butler '70, vice president; and Carolyn King Gholston '70, secretary and treasurer. Directors are Lathan Hooks '70, Morris Tate '71, Glen Daniels '70, Hiram McGhee '41, Jim Perdue '73, Carolyn Gholston '70, and John Allen Butler '70. William H. McGhee '41, outgoing president, presided at the banquet meeting, attended by 78 alumni. Auburn visitors were George Atkins '55 of the Alumni and Development staff and Bud Casey, assistant football coach.

HOUSTON AREA Auburn Club had more than 250 alumni on hand for their

annual meeting and Bubba Awards on May 31. President Becky Arrington '73 and president-elect D. Kent Brown '78 presided. Current officers of the club, who were elected at the club's annual business meeting on April 17, are: D. Kent Brown '78, president; P. Alex MacDonald '80, vice president; Jackie Morris, secretary; E.R. (Danny) McDaniel '79, treasurer; Kathryn Fowler '78, social chairman; and Cliff McClanahan, newsletter chairman. Directors are Becky Arrington '73, Randy Jinks, and Bill Turner '71.

## See War Eagle V Before Games

The brothers of Alpha Phi Omega would like to invite anyone interested in Auburn's mascot, War Eagle V, to come by the eagle cage behind Haley Center before each home football game. The cage will be open 2-3 hours before each home game, and A Phi O invites you to come in, ask questions, take pictures, and even pet "Tiger."

This year is the 25th year Alpha Phi Omega has cared for Auburn's mascot. They want to further the public's knowledge of this protected species, the Golden Eagle.

If you, your group, or alumni club wish to have War Eagle V make an appearance at one of your meetings or functions please contact A Phi O at 205/826-4978. The A Phi O headquarters are in the basement of Foy Union on the Auburn campus.

# Alumnalities

1923-1929

William (Jud) Landrum '23 writes that he is "in good health and enjoying retirement" with his wife, Floi, in Wetumpka. Mr. Landrum is past president of the Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce, and retired Chevrolet-Oldsmobile dealer. He is now one of forty members of the Retirees' Club.

Elizabeth Young Johnson '25 lives in Auburn where she'd "rather be than anywhere." She has one daughter, Betty J. Snyder, and four grandchildren—Randy E. Dobbs, Kathleen D. McGryer, Susan D. Deming, and Kim D. Harrison.

Herman F. Schwekendiek '25 is a retired engineer from Southern Bell Telephone Co. He lives in Tucker, Ga., with his wife, Mary, and has a son, Robert, and three grandchildren, Donald, Lynn, and Carole S. Dutton.

James Ira Greenhill '25 lives in Birmingham with his wife, Pauline. He is retired from South Central Bell where he was state program engineer.

Warren Tobin Savage '25 of Montgomery is with A.G. Associates. He and his wife, Evelyn, have two sons—Warren T. Savage, III, '64 and Charles B. Savage.

Julian Harris '25 is a partner in the law firm of Harris, Shinn, Phillips & Perry in Decatur. He and his wife have three children and 14 grandchildren. After graduating from Auburn, he completed his law degree at the University of Virginia where he made Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Phi, and the Raven Society.

Richard James Barefield '25 of Birmingham retired from South Central Bell in 1970 after a career with the company that lasted 45 years and two months. He and his wife, Lilla Mae, have two sons.

1930

Frank W. Applebee was head of the Department of Art at Auburn until his 1968 retirement. He is currently confined to Wesley Terrace Health Care Center in Auburn. His wife, Martha, continues to live in Auburn.

Morris F. Glascock was general superintendent with U.S. Steel in Birmingham until his retirement in 1971. His wife, Ann, worked with Southern Bell Telephone Co. They have one son, Charles O. Glascock '55, and two grandchildren, Drew and Dawn Glascock. Dawn is currently an Auburn student.

Glyde L. Nelson of Hamilton spent his career as a soil conservationist.

Mildred Sanders Williamson of LaFayette is retired and spends her spare time doing art work, traveling, writing newspaper articles, and doing book reviews.

Dewey M. Turney retired as an associate professor of animal science at Auburn in 1974. He and his wife, Mary Love, have two daughters, Betty Love of Houston, Tex., and Jean of Auburn. Prof. Turney taught more than 30 years at Auburn and he says "all my years here are excellent."

C. Ed. Teague retired in 1973 as director of the agricultural division of the Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce, where he had worked 21 years. Earlier he had been with the Extension Service and with Tennessee Coal & Iron Corp. He has a daughter, Linda Teague Huxton '63, and three grandchildren.

Henry Grady Mosley of Atlanta retired in 1979 as Georgia building engineer for Southern Bell. He had been with them for 34 years. He and his wife, Edna, have three children, including John T. Mosley '70, and eight grandchildren.

1934

James Arthur Wright and his wife, Helen, live in Valdosta, Ga., where he is retired as vice president of Strickland Mills. He presently serves as internal auditor of the Park Avenue Bank of Valdosta and as director and on various committees of the board. Their son, John R.

Wright '64, earned an Auburn degree. The Wrights have one grandson.

William L. Gaines, Jr., and his wife, Elizabeth Morton '37, live in Birmingham and both are retired. They have two children and two grandchildren. While at Auburn Mr. Gaines was business manager of the '34 *Glomerata*, in Scabbard & Blade, Blue Key, and Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

George Pollard Walther and his wife, Elizabeth, live in Prattville where he retired July 1, 1973, after 38 years with the USDA's Soil Conservation Service. They have three children and eight grandchildren.

Will Laceye Brown Shotts and her husband, Emmett, live in Jasper where they are retired after spending a total of 80 years in education. They have three children, seven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 19.

Charles C. Workman, Jr., lives in Atlanta, Ga., where he is self-employed as a management consultant. He was with IBM Corp., where he held various management positions including Southeastern manager, for 34 years. His daughter is Janet Susan Baltzer '71. Mr. Workman was active in ODK, Blue Key, Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, president of Alpha Phi Epsilon, Delta Sigma Pi, and Phi Delta Gamma, and on the debate team (he won a cup as best collegiate debater) and in the Auburn Players.

Herbert E. Harris and his wife, Arthelle, live in Big Canoe, Ga., where he retired in 1972 after 38 years with IBM Corp., most recently as corporate resident manager. They have three children and nine grandchildren. Mr. Harris was active in Theta Chi fraternity and ODK while an Auburn student.

Tom Lawrence Nash, Jr., and his wife, Dorothy, live in Satellite Beach, Fla., where he is a retired colonel in the Air Force. They have two daughters who live in Oklahoma and Texas.

Carlton Tompkins Price and her husband, Charles Dudley Price '36, live in Panama City, Fla., where she is a retired school teacher and he is retired from practicing veterinary medicine with the federal government. They have a daughter who graduated from Auburn: Eugenia

Carlton Price Lloyd '63, whose husband is Rayford Lloyd, Jr., '63. The Prices have three grandchildren.

Samuel Gavin Norris and his wife, Ruby, live in Gadsden where he retired in July 1973 as district supervisor of vocational rehabilitation. He served in World War II, attaining the rank of lieutenant colonel. He was active in the European theater 1941-1945 after teaching vocational agriculture 1934-1941 in Monroe, N.C. The Norrises have three children and nine grandchildren.

Charles R. Williams and his wife, Virginia, live in West Point, Ga., where he retired in 1976 after 29 years as a corporate engineer. They have two children, both of whom attended Auburn: William M. Williams '57 and Gladys W. Hester '60. They also have five grandchildren, including four who are Auburn students. Mr. Williams was a Sigma Nu at Auburn.

Marion Bailey Richardson lives in Montgomery. She has one son and two grandchildren.

Edgar Wyman McCall and his wife, Marion Sundberg '35, live in Knoxville, Tenn., where he retired in 1978 after 33 years with Tennessee Armature & Electric Co., most recently as chairman of the board. While at Auburn Mr. McCall was in Phi Delta Theta fraternity and Blue Key. He retired in 1964 from the U.S. Army Reserve with the rank of colonel. He was elected a fellow of electrical contracting in the National Electrical Contractors Association in 1977 and is a registered professional engineer in Tennessee and Alabama. Mrs. McCall is an artist, specializing in water colors. The McCalls have two daughters and seven grandchildren.

James Alton Benford and his wife, Eloise, live in Fairhope where he retired in 1965 from the Army with the rank of colonel. He taught school at Robertsdale 1934-1943 before joining the Army. They have two sons and four grandchildren.

Ezra B. Perry, MD, and his wife, Evelyn, live in Birmingham where he is a retired pediatrician. He finished at Tulane Medical School in 1938 then began practicing in Birmingham after completing intern and residency training in Boston. Dr. Perry saw active military service

in World War II in the south Pacific. The Perrys have one son, Ezra B. Perry '69, and a granddaughter. While at Auburn Dr. Perry was active in Sigma Nu fraternity.

Roy Frank Moon and his wife, Evelyn, live in Wetumpka where he retired Dec. 1, 1977, as district supervisor of Alabama Power Co. He served the company 43 years and one month. They have two children, Sylvia Lee M. Grant '60 and Ann Marie M. Lambert '67, and six grandchildren.

Howard W. Green and his wife, Bernice, live in Auburn where he retired in 1975 as state specialist in agribusiness education. They have two sons, Paul Green '61 and William H. Green '65, and four grandchildren including Sean, currently an Auburn student. While at Auburn Mr. Green was active in Phi Kappa Tau fraternity and the Block & Bridle Club.

Joseph Alison Kyser and his wife, Patricia, live in Greensboro where he is self-employed. They have four children, including Bill Kyser '73, and four grandchildren. At Auburn Mr. Kyser was secretary of his senior class, on the track team, and president of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity. He was appointed by President Reagan to a six-year term last August to be a member of the Federal Farm Credit Board representing the Southeast.

Fred Birdsong and his wife, Mary Lou, live in Greensboro, N.C., where he has been retired the past five years after 42 years with Blue Bell, Inc., including 12 years as corporate vice president. They have three children, including Fred Birdsong, Jr., '68 and Philip A. Birdsong '77. They have two grandchildren and a third one due this fall. Mr. Birdsong was active in Tau Beta Pi, Phi Lambda Upsilon, and was associate editor of the *Plainsman* while at Auburn. Mr. Birdsong, who entered Auburn when he was 15, writes, "Auburn was a great place for a youngster to be on his own for the first time. I felt at home at Auburn on Day 1. I feel at home at Auburn 54 years later."

James Ira Cornwell and his wife, Elizabeth, live in Asheville, N.C., where he has owned Cornwell Veterinary Clinic for 35 years. They have two children and four grandchildren. He was active in ROTC and was secretary-treasurer of Alpha Psi fraternity while at Auburn.

Ophelia Smith lives in Thomasville, Ga., and was a home economist with the Univ. of Georgia Extension Service for 30 years. She's presently a dietary consultant with health care facilities in South Georgia and North Florida. While at Auburn Miss Smith was in Chi Omega sorority and Who's Who. She was the first Woman of the Year chosen by the Thomasville-Thomas County Chamber of Commerce and she won the Distinguished Service Award from the USDA.

John B. De Ring and his wife, Edna, live in Dover, Fla., where he is retired, spending his time wood carving, gardening, golfing, traveling, and writing. They have two children. Dr. De Ring practiced veterinary medicine for over 50 years.

James H. Suydam and his wife, Clara, live in Birmingham where he retired in 1975 after 30 years as an engineer with General Machinery Co. He continues to serve the firm as a consultant. Mr. Suydam earned the rank of colonel in World War II.

John Myron McKay and his wife, Betty, live in Tampa where he has retired to church work, golf, traveling, and maintaining his home and yard. The McKays have two children, including Susan McKay '68, and two grandchildren.

Nelson Maurice Snow, Jr., and his wife, Dorothy, live in Mobile where he is retired from South Central Bell after 40 years. Their son, Nelson M. Snow, III, '61, graduated from Auburn and his two children attend the University of Alabama. While at Auburn Mr. Snow was active in Kappa Alpha fraternity (president in '33), Blue Key, and Scabbard & Blade.

Ben Watkins Hutson and his wife, Miriam, live in Mobile where he retired March 1, 1978, after 43 years with Alabama Power's Mobile Division where he was division manager. They have three children, including Arthur Hutson



**POULTRY HALL OF FAME**—Sam Gibbons '37 of Athens, right, accepts a lifetime certificate of membership in the Alabama Poultry & Egg Association from Herman McElrath during a recent ceremony to induct Mr. Gibbons into the Alabama Poultry Hall of Fame. He joins 25 other members in the Hall of Fame. Mr. Gibbons, who recently retired as marketing manager for ConAgra Poultry Co., was cited for his lifelong contributions to the state's poultry industry.



**CHEERLEADERS**—Leading the cheers for the 1985 football team will be this group of Auburn students. In front is Aubie, Jack Clark of Huntsville. From left to right are: Barry Basden of Tuscumbia, Candy Smoak of Birmingham, Erick Smith of Marietta, Ga., Debbie Webb of Birmingham, James Taylor of Mobile, Laura Gilmore of Gadsden, Ruddy Polhill of

Birmingham, Beth Doverspike of Huntsville, Erik Lazzari of Loxley, Melanie Sivley of Birmingham, Mike Pauley of LaGrange, Ga., Kaye Myers (women's coordinator) of Montgomery, Wayne Harris of Selma, and Donna Anderson of Pinson. Standing in back is Ron Anders of Auburn, head cheerleader.

'69 and Virginia H. Sykes '72, and three grandchildren.

**Dr. William Woolverton Beck** and his wife, Mary, live in Wilmington, Del., where he retired from the DuPont Co. in 1978 after 41 years in research, sales, and personnel work. Dr. Beck earned a Ph.D. from the University of Nebraska in 1937. The Becks have three children and eight grandchildren. While an Auburn student Dr. Beck was active in Sigma Nu fraternity, *Plainsman* and *Glomerata* staffs, cadet colonel in ROTC, and president of both Tau Beta Pi and Phi Lambda Epsilon.

**Kenneth Thompson** and his wife, Anna, live in Gadsden where he is a partner in Thompson-Cathey-Wilson Co. They have four children and one granddaughter.

**John M. Holloway** and his wife, Margaret, live in Montgomery where he is a senior partner with the Credit Bureau of Montgomery. They have three children who attended Auburn: John M. Holloway, III, '65, Kent L. Holloway, and Patricia Ann Holloway Norris '72, who earned a master's at Auburn.

**Justin Smith Morrill** and his wife, Ann, live in Houston, Tex., where he retired Dec. 31 as vice president, secretary, and general legal counselor with Tanglewood Corp. and its related companies (10 closely held corporations engaged in various aspects of the real estate business). After World War II, he earned a law degree from the University of Texas in 1948 and practiced in Houston from then until his retirement. He and his wife have one son and three grandsons. At Auburn Mr. Morrill was in Spades, ODK, Tau Beta Pi, Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Delta Theta fraternity, and president of his senior class.

**George Wesley Williams** and his wife, Marquerite, live in Tuscumbia where he is semi-retired after serving as chairman of the board of Valley Federal Savings & Loan for 28 years. They have a daughter, Betty Suzanne Williams '66, whose husband is Richard L. Nimon '66. While at Auburn Mr. Williams was captain of the football team and an All-Southeastern quarterback and an All-Dixie pitcher on the baseball team. He writes, "Auburn people make one big fraternity and it has been a great source of pleasure to continue my association wherever I went with Auburn people and the Auburn spirit."

#### 1935-1939

**Frances Bailey Radney Tegeder** '35, director of special education services for Atlanta Gas Light Co., retired on July 1. She had worked for the company first as a home economist and in 1966 returned to work as home service director. She was named consumer information director in 1980 and was promoted to her present position in 1984. A former member of the home economics faculties at Auburn and Georgia Southern, she was a 1983 recipient of a "Friend of 4-H" award and is chairman of the 4-H Advisory Committee for 1985-87. She is a former chairman of the Georgia Nutrition Council, Home Economists in Business, Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals, and the American Gas Association Consumer Information Committee. She is a charter member of the Ameri-

can Gas Association Hall of Fame.

**Grace Milne Harris** '35 retired from 18 years of teaching special education in the Auburn City Schools in 1974. Her husband, Hubert Harris '36, retired from the Auburn Horticulture Department faculty in 1975. They have a daughter, Grace Harris Turner '65, and two grandsons.

**Howell S. Savage, Jr.**, '35 and his wife, Nell, live in Vestavia. He spent 29 years with Woodward Iron/Mead and retired in 1974 as manager of engineering. He spent the next five years with Koppers Co., Inc., as manager of engineering and retired in 1979. Their daughter, Kay S. Twilley, attended Auburn in 1960-61 before transferring to Samford to complete her degree. They have two grandchildren.

**Elizabeth Steere Hill** '35 and her husband, W. Wilson Hill '36, live in Auburn. She retired from the Auburn Cooperative Extension Service in 1974. Her husband is retired from the Achievement Center, a vocational rehabilitation training facility in Opelika. They have three children and six grandchildren. Mrs. Hill and her brother, Richard M. Steere, are twins and both graduated from Auburn in 1935. They both live on Sherwood Drive in Auburn. "I married his fraternity brother, Wilson Hill '36, and he married my roommate, Emma Bennett Sellers '36. Probably not many twins are still living who graduated 50 years ago, much less right here in Auburn," she notes.

**William E. Lumpkin** '35 of Jackson, Miss., retired from the Mississippi State Highway Department in the area of bridge design in 1975. He and his wife, Willie, have three children and six grandchildren.

**Frank M. Langdon, Jr.**, '35 was a self-employed general contractor until he retired in 1977. He now enjoys gardening and golf. He and his wife, Lydia, have two children, including Susan Langdon Regan '65 of Blacksburg, Va., and three grandchildren, including Thomas Regan, Jr., who will be an Auburn sophomore in the fall.

**William Ed Prewitt** '35 and his wife, Irene, live in Atlanta where both are retired.

**Howard W. Wheeler** '36 is a semi-retired architect. He has lived in Severna Park, Md., since 1937. He served with the Army civil engineering corps in WW II, participating in the SWP campaign. Mr. Wheeler's wife, Helen Mae Cheshire Wheeler, died in 1980. They had four children—Howard, Jr., Judy O'Malley, Janice Wheeler, and Richard Wheeler. Mr. Wheeler has been an active Rotarian for 38 years. He writes that he is "still active in architectural societies and an avid golfer at Chartwell Country Club, and was a member of Auburn's first swimming team in 1932-33-34."

**George J. Burrus, III**, '37 of Winter Haven, Fla., is enjoying his retirement. He is in his third year of a four-year term as an elected state canal commissioner. He is secretary-treasurer of the quarter-million dollar model railroad at Cypress Gardens. The display, the most elaborate in the world, he writes, gives him "many happy hours of building and operation."

**Sam Gibbons** '37 of Athens was inducted into the Alabama Poultry Hall of Fame in June. He recently retired as marketing manager for

ConAgra Poultry Co.

**Clyde W. Jones** '38 of Daleville is retired. He teaches and plays tennis, gardens, and does volunteer work at Ft. Rucker and with senior citizens.

**Nell Jackson** '39 of Prattville has been retired several years as director of the Autauga County Department of Pensions and Security.

#### 1940

**George M. Phillipi** is a retired physician in Camden where he lives with his wife, Betty. They have four children—Mary Ann '74, Carolyn Jean '76, Dan, and Jane—and two grandchildren, Ryan and Lindsay.

**James Monroe Adams** and his wife, Jane Ussery '41, live in Anniston where they are both retired. They have two married children, Ann A. Mazenko '65 and James M. Adams, III, '68.

**Jack McDonald Dunlop** is president and general manager of Dunlop & Harwell, Inc., an Auburn realty company. His wife, Elizabeth Harwell '40, is corporate secretary of the company. They have three children—Jacqueline D. Durden '65, Daniel M. Dunlop, II, and F. William Dunlop—and four grandchildren.

**Judson Davie Gary** is retired from the U.S.D.A. and is a self-employed real estate broker and appraiser. He and his wife, Louise, live in Greenville and have three children—James Davie Gary '82, John Lawrence Gary, and Richard Hall Gary, an Auburn student.

**Eugene T. Hamner**, DVM, is a retired meat inspector for the State of Georgia. He was a veterinarian for the U.S. Air Force in Europe and had a private practice from 1945 to 1968. He lives in Summerville, Ga., with his wife, Elizabeth. They have a daughter, Martha H. Wood '64, who is married to James Milton Wood '64, and two grandchildren.

**Thomas C. Payne** of Mobile is vice president of International Paper Co. and president of Kamyr-Neles, Inc. He and his wife, Lavonne, have three children, Carroll P. Ward, Kay P. Wheeler, and Thomas C. Payne, III. Their daughter, Kay, has three children, Kim, Thomas, and Rebecca.

**Pierce T. Pettis, Jr.**, and his wife, Laura Smith '42, live in Ft. Payne where he is a retail merchant. They have three children, Nancy P. Gardner '64, Laura P. McCay '65, and Pierce R. Pettis, III, a graduate of Florida State. They also have a granddaughter, Sophie E. Gardner, a "fourth generation War Eagle," as an Auburn student.

**Erney A. Ambrose** retired on June 1 as owner and operator of Ambrose Oil Co., wholesale distributors of Texaco gasoline and oil products. He and his wife, Anne, live in Anniston and have three sons—Richard, Bob, and Ralph—and two grandchildren, Jennifer and Alexander.

**Moore J. Burns** and his wife, Teresa Lesueur '42, live in Auburn and have two children, Kathy B. Hodkins '74, and Ricky, and seven grandchildren. Prof. Burns is retired from Auburn University and Mrs. Burns is retired secretary for the Auburn United Methodist Church.

**Mary Sue Jones Tillery** is retired from the Alabama Extension Service. She lives in Cul-

iman and has three children—Gary A. Tillery '68, Darlyn Tillery, and Girard Tillery—and two granddaughters.

**Turner Murphy** is retired chairman of the board for the Turner Murphy Co. He and his wife, Tillie, live in Modoc, S.C., and have three children—all married to Auburn graduates—Mary M. Berett '67 and Alan Berett '67, Pat Murphy '68 and Rebecca Harris '67, and Mike Murphy '71 and Freida Williamson '69. They also have seven grandchildren.

**William L. Noll, Jr.**, of Montgomery is retired vice president of Associated Mechanical Contractors. He and his wife, Inez, have three children, W.L. Noll, III, '65, Margaret White Noll '65, and Suzanne N. Herring '82.

**Thurman Cecil Ross** and his wife, Vivian, live in McRae, Ga., where they are retired. They have three daughters, Sara Ross, Jane R. Williams, and Beth R. Johnson, all graduates of Georgia Southern.

**Frank S. Brush, Jr.**, is manager-electrical engineer for Jim Walter Resources, coal division. He and his wife, Frances, live in Birmingham and have two children, Frank S. Brush, III, DVM '73, and Mary B. Brush '65 who is married to Jacky Horner, DVM '66.

**Fletcher Horn** and his wife, Jessie, live in Charlotte, N.C., where he is retired from the Celanese Corp. They have two married children, Judith and James, and three grandchildren.

**John Utah Campbell** works for the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs. He and his wife, Elaine, live in Sheffield and have two children, John E. Campbell and Marthalyn C. Lux, and three grandchildren.

**Ralph Lewis Williams**, DVM, and his wife, Alma, live in Raleigh, N.C. They have two married children, Anne W. McDonald and Thomas Williams, and four grandchildren. Dr. Williams is active in National Exchange Club work and Little League Baseball. He received the Distinguished Veterinarian Award for 1985 from the North Carolina VMA.

**A. Kirby Clements, Jr.**, is semi-retired as general agent for New England Life. He lives in Montgomery with his wife, Elizabeth. They have four children—Gus Clements '64, George Clements '66, Carolyn C. Sasser '69, and Eleanor C. Kohn, a Converse graduate—and nine grandchildren.

**Addie Octava Forest Shaddix** lives in Lincoln and is retired from teaching after 49 years in the Talladega County School System.

**Frank Grover Brewer, Jr.**, is a private investor in Birmingham. He and his wife, Anne, have four children, Margaret, Nina, Frank, and Robert.

**James P. Wood** of Troy is retired owner of Wood Furniture Co. He and his wife, Charlotte, have three children—Patricia, Lesa, and Alan—and five grandchildren.

**Gibson Orr Etchison** and his wife, Sarah, live in Valley. Gibson is retired from WestPoint Pepperell in research and environmental control.

#### 1942-1944

**Margaret Turner Stewart** '42 of Piedmont has written several books on Cherokee County history. Her two most recent books, *Alabama's City of Sheffield* in celebration of Sheffield's 100th birthday, and *Northeast Alabama Scrapbook*, volume II, are both available to order. To order write her at RFD 5, Box 109, Piedmont, AL 36272.

**George B. Page** '42 has retired after 35 years of service with Farm Bureau Insurance Companies in Alabama, South Carolina, and Florida. He now lives in Plantation, Fla., with his wife, Fay.

**Eletha I. Howard** '43 lives in Rogersville and is retired from Texaco, Inc.

**Sarah Davis Cox** '43 of Madeira Beach, Fla., is a retired vocational home economics education teacher. She taught eleven years in Alabama and 20 years in Florida at Madeira Beach Middle School. She has four adult children and three grandchildren.

**Arthur B. Douglas**, DVM, '43 sold his veterinary practice in Collinsville, Ill., on May 1 and retired after 42 years of practice.

**G.J. (Jack) Tankersley** '43 is chairman of Consolidated Natural Gas Co. *Forbes* magazine featured him in February and noted his shrewd management and foresight in the natural gas industry, where he has used the legislative deregulation of the gas and oil industry to lead CNG to be one of the largest utilities suppliers

in the Northeast. Mr. Tankersley was co-chairman of the Auburn Generation Fund which completed a \$111 million campaign in April.

James A. Dowdy, Jr., '43 operates Dowdy & Associates, Inc., in Birmingham.

William C. Reid, Jr., '43 retired in 1983 from Eastman Kodak Co. He and his wife have two children and live in Rochester, N.Y. Among his accomplishments he lists that he was responsible for \$1 billion in chemical plant design, trained 126 new engineers, designed plants in nine states and four countries, won 32 tennis trophies and two fishing trophies, won the "Engineer of the Year" award. He was vice chairman of Boy Scouts of America-Great Northern division. He also taught engineering courses at the University of Rochester and is listed in *Who's Who in the East*.

#### 1945

Gladys Dismukes Searcy and her husband, Virgil '48, live in Midway where they are both retired. They have two married children—Mary Gladys S. Stillwell '72 who is married to Timothy E. Stillwell '71, and Sterling Jackson Searcy, a University of Florida graduate—and two grandchildren, Mason and Austin Stillwell.

Joe Sledge, DVM, lives in Greensboro with his wife, Mailande Cheney, where he has a veterinary practice. Mrs. Sledge received her Ph.D. in English from the University of Alabama on May 18 and is on the faculty at Marion Military Academy. They have six children and eleven grandchildren.

Ben T. Richardson of Scottsboro is a retired county agent and member of the House of Representatives. He and his wife, Sarah, have a daughter, Linda Ruth R. Bonner, and a grandson.

Frank Gregory Charlton, Jr., of Autauga-ville is retired county engineer. He and his wife, Dean, a retired teacher, have four children—Frank, III, '69, Celia Shanks '72 who is married to William L. Shanks '71, Deanne C. Hendrix, and Robert R. Charlton—and three grandchildren.

William Reynolds Ireland is manager of community relations for Vulcan Materials Co. He will retire on November 1. He and his wife, Fay, live in Leeds and have four sons—Charles Byron, II, John Reynolds Ireland '74, Kelly Ireland '77, William Reynolds Ireland, Jr., '79, and Scott B. Ireland—and four grandchildren.

Sue Hawkins Jones and her husband, Stanley '47, live in Atlanta, Ga. Sue is accountant for Harry Norman Realtors and Stanley works for Coldwell Banker Real Estate. They have two sons—Stan, Jr., and Willis—and two grandchildren.

Vernon Mathis Smith is retired after 30 years as a used car dealer. He and his wife, Joyce Benford '44, live in Boaz and have two married children, James L. Smith and Barbara S. Griffin.

Sarah Dismukes Strickland teaches at Prattville High School. She lives in Wetumpka and has two children, Edward and Bonnie, and one grandson.

Lamar M. Ware, owner of Ware Jewelers, Inc., lives in Auburn with his wife, Elizabeth Heard '47. They have two sons, Robert Lamar Ware '73 and Ronald Heard Ware.

Bruce Davis Blake and her husband, Dr. George H. Blake, Jr., '47, live in Auburn. Mrs. Blake is an academic advisor for the School of Arts and Sciences and Dr. Blake is retired from Auburn's Zoology-Entomology Dept. They have four children—George H. Blake '72, Dr. James D. Blake '73, Sally Blake Headley '80, and John F. Blake, an Auburn senior—and three grandchildren.

#### 1946-1947

Dr. E.D. Donnelly '46 retired Dec. 31, 1983, from the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station after 35 years of research. In addition to developing a dozen superior crop varieties that have been used to fill special needs of Alabama agriculture, Dr. Donnelly also taught undergraduate and graduate courses in the Auburn Agronomy and Soils Department.

Robert H. Harris '46, vice president and general manager of Northern Pacific Aircraft engine operations of General Electric Technical Services Co., Inc., in Japan, plans to retire on September 1 and move back to Atlanta.

William D. (Jack) Cornelius '47 of Stevenson is a retired school teacher and coach. He coached quarterback Lloyd Nix who led Auburn to a national championship in 1957 and quar-

terback Pat Trammell who led Alabama to a national championship in 1960.

Dr. Robert L. Saunders '47 of Memphis, Tenn., is president of the American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education.

Victor F. Sansing '47 has retired after 38 years of working for the Granite City Steel Co. in Illinois as an industrial engineer. He writes that he and his wife, "finally called it quits" with Illinois and they have moved to Plant City, Fla.

Duke C. Horner '47 is vice chairman and chief executive officer of Community Savings Bank in Jacksonville, Fla. He has been re-appointed by the governor to serve on the Board of Directors of the Florida Housing Finance Agency until November, 1986. Duke is also a member of the board of directors of the Republic Mortgage Insurance Co. of Florida, and is a former director of the Florida League of Savings Association and past president of the Southeast Conference of the U.S. League of Savings Institutions.

#### 1950-1952

John F. Hughes '50 is president and owner of Greenbrier Furniture Co. and Town and Country Furniture in Birmingham. He and his wife, Gloria Herring, have two children, Tracey Hughes '84 and Gary Hughes '83.

James A. Riddle '50 of Fairfax, Va., is president of Lambert, Riddle, Horrigan & Caldwell Insurance Agency. He is also chairman of the board of Continental Federal Savings Bank and past president of the Fairfax Country Club and Fairfax Rotary Club. He and his wife, Denise, have three married children—Sandy, Debby, and Jimmy—all graduates of Virginia Tech.

Samuel E. Smith '51 of Shreveport, La., has been honored by Philadelphia Life Insurance Co. with the establishment of the Samuel E. Smith Scholarship for Insurance Studies at Louisiana State University in Shreveport. The \$40,000 fully-endowed scholarship will fund up to four \$1,000 scholarships per year. Mr. Smith is a general agent for Philadelphia Life and a qualifying and life member of the Million Dollar Round Table. He is a past recipient of the Man of the Year Award from the Shreveport Association of Life Underwriters. He is past president of the Association of Children with Learning Disabilities and recipient of the "High Hopes" award for his contributions to the Association. Former chairman of the March of Dimes, he received the Peyton Kelly Award as the outstanding volunteer in North Louisiana. He is one of the founders of the Financial Security Study Foundation which established the chair of insurance at LSU-Shreveport.

Edwin P. Vaiden, Jr., '51 lives in Birmingham with his wife, Meryl. He is senior vice president of Engel Realty Co. He is also past president of the Sertoma Club, Birmingham Touchdown Club, Jefferson County Auburn Club, and past board member of the Birmingham Board of Realtors. He currently serves on the board of directors of the Auburn Alumni Association.

Nicholas A. Pappas, FAIA, '51 is the Foundation architect for the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation and is the sixth Foundation architect since the beginning of the Williamsburg restoration in 1926. He was the featured speaker during the formation ceremonies of the Georgia Chapter of the International Society of Interior Designers in Atlanta last May. He spoke on "High Style Architecture of the South: 1750-1810."

Peggy Barrow Culbertson '51 and her husband, Robert D. Culbertson '55, live in Charlotte, N.C. Peggy is property manager for PBC Enterprises and Robert is a partner in the Morehead Group. They have four children—Ewell Robert, II, Ruth Barrow, Laura Foy, John Julian—and one grandson, Kenneth Robert, born on June 15. Peggy recently completed six years on the Charlotte-Mecklenburg County Planning Commission, the last two years as president. During her stay on the board, it did land use planning for a metropolitan area with a population of 450,000.

Lt./Gen. Forrest S. McCartney '52 has received the Gen. Thomas D. White Air Force Space Trophy for 1984 for his contributions to the nation's progress in space. He received the award, which is presented by the National Geographic Society, on June 19 in Washington, D.C. Gen. McCartney directed Space Division efforts that produced Air Force concepts for the core of SDI. Contributions to SDI include the antisatellite system, MILSTAR, the airborne laser labor-

atory, and other sophisticated research projects. He is commander of the Space Division, Air Force Systems Command, at Los Angeles Air Force Station, Calif., and is vice commander of Space Command. He has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal, and the Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak leaf clusters. He and his wife, Ruth, have two daughters, Margaret and Worthy.

Carver G. Kennedy '52 has been named "Manager of the Year" by the Lockheed Space Operations Company chapter of the National Management Association. Mr. Kennedy is vice president for Space Services of the Morton Thiokol Co. at Kennedy Space Center. He also holds a patent for an automotive inflatable restraint system he developed in 1974. He lives in Titusville, Fla., with his wife, Martha.

John Parrott '52 retired last year as head of information services of The Alabama Cooperative Extension Service. He joined the Extension Service in 1959 as assistant county agent and moved to Auburn in 1961 as radio-TV editor. He served as news editor before his last position as head of information services. He and his wife, Marcine, continue to live in Auburn. They have two daughters, Lisa and Vivian, and four grandchildren, Jonathon, Melissa, J.T., and Joanna.

#### 1953-1954

C. Bert Hill '53, DVM, practices veterinary medicine in Amory, Miss., where he lives with his wife, Edna. They have two children, Susan Lynn H. Murphree '76, and Charles Bert Hill, Jr., '76.

Dennis W. Calhoun '53 of Columbus, Ga., is vice president of Hydrick, Calhoun & Associates, Inc. He is past president of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Kiwanis Club, United Way, Boys Club, Georgia Savings and Loan League, and Board of Education. He and his wife, Helen, have two sons, Dennis and George.

Walter L. Martin, '53, DVM, has a small animal practice in Chattanooga, Tenn. He is currently the AVMA Treasurer and has held many other positions within veterinary medicine organizations. He was chosen Tennessee Veterinarian of the Year in 1977 and Practitioner of the Year for Region 2 of the American Animal Hospital Association in 1978. He is a member and former chairman of the Alumni Advisory Council of the School of Veterinary Medicine since 1965 and president of the Chattanooga Auburn Club since 1965. He and his wife, Bettye Jean, have four children, Walter, Janice, Gary, and Judi.

Jeanne Hall Lynch '53 lives in New Orleans with her husband, the Rev. W.O. Lynch, Jr., senior pastor of the Aurora United Methodist Church. Jeanne teaches public school kindergarten.

H. Davis Collier, Jr., '54 is branch manager of Burroughs Corp., a member of the Civitans and Quarterback Club, and an Elder in the Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, Glenda, live in Jacksonville, Fla. He has two children, Kenneth Davis, and Karen C. Parker '78 who is married to Rusty Parker '78.

#### 1955

John Palmer Beasley has operated Beasley Pharmacy in Columbia for 30 years. He and his wife, Barbara Latulais '57, have three children—John P., Jr., '79, Sidney Thomas '81 who is married to Jane Hendricks '81, and Claudia Anne. They also have two grandsons, Clifton and Andrew.

Jack Norton Reynolds is area director of plant protection and quarantine programs for the Animal Plant Health and Inspection Service of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture in Slidell, La. He has joined the foreign service and will leave for Germany later this year where he will be an agricultural advisor to the Department of Defense. He recently retired from the Army Reserve with the rank of colonel and received the Legion of Merit during his final formation for his contributions as chief of staff of the 377 Theatre Army Area command, a reserve unit in New Orleans. He and his wife, Armeto Chandler '57, have two sons, Dan and Jim, both college students.

John R. Duncan of Florence operates his own general contracting company, the Duncan Co. He and his wife, Florence, have three children, Tia Leigh D. Campbell, Jenny Carson, and Helen Hope, and three grandchildren, Heather, Stephanie, and Paul.

John Edward Byrd and his wife, Nagel Kirby '56, live in Dothan where John is an attorney. They have three children, Stephanie B. McClendon '80, John, Jr., and Andrea, an Auburn student. They have one granddaughter, Kirby Anne.

Larry D. McNutt is a dairy farmer in Haleyville where he lives with his wife, Iva. They have two sons, Brett and David.

Henry J. (Jack) Callaway of Auburn is a stockbroker for A.G. Edwards and Sons. He and his wife, Cynthia, have four children, Jack, IV, Kimberly, Kendall, and Clayton. They also have two grandchildren, Jordan and Gregory.

Guy P. Dunnivant is supervisory general engineer for the U.S. Army Forces Command at Ft. McPherson, Ga. He and his wife, Myra, live in Riverdale, Ga., and have two children, Todd W. Dunnivant '78 and Paula Dunnivant, and two grandchildren, Edgar and Patricia. Mr. Dunnivant writes that his grandson, age 12, is attending his third Pat Dye football camp this summer and that his son will receive his Ph.D. in civil engineering from the University of Houston later this year.

James W. Vaughn and his wife, Myrtle, live in Marietta, Ga. James is supervisor of Test and



CRENSHAW OFFICERS—Officers of the Crenshaw County Auburn Club elected July 10 are pictured with the guest speakers from Auburn. From left is Hiram McGhee '41, outgoing president; John Allen Butler '70, vice president; George Atkins '55, associate director of alumni and development at Auburn; Jim Perdue '73, director; Bud Casey, assistant football coach; Conrad Summerlin '46, new president; Carolyn King Gholston '70, secretary and treasurer; and Lathan Hooks '70, director.

Electronics Administration for the Lockheed Georgia Co. They have three children, Alan '84, Caroline, and Stephen, an Auburn student.

**Sharlene Sharpe Love** is a teacher and guidance counselor at Munford High School in Talladega County. She lives in Anniston with her husband, Herschel. They have two children, Fayne Lee L. Howle '82 who is married to Joe Howle '82, and Sharel Love '85 who is married to Andy Laidig '82.

**William E. (Bill) Owen** and his wife, Jean, live in Marietta, Ga., where he is president of William E. Owen & Associates, consulting engineers. He recently submitted plans for an intra-Cobb County rapid transit system which he predicts would cost \$3.3 million per mile compared to \$72 million per mile for MARTA. They have two children, Mark and David, and one grandson, Peter.

**William S. Warren, Jr.**, is distribution engineer for Riverside Manufacturing Co. He lives in Douglasville, Ga., with his wife, Abbey. They have four children, Will, Lucy, Tom, and Ed.

**Richard Schuessler** and his wife, Emily Dean '56, live in Smyrna, Ga., where he is branch manager of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*. They have two daughters, Lorrie and Susan.

**Russell J. Hill** is office manager of the engineering department of Gulf States Steel Co. He and his wife, Beverly, live in Gadsden and have four children, Douglas '83, Marc, Cynthia, and Melissa, and two granddaughters, Jana and Dana.

**Paul R. White** and his wife, Carol, live in Huntsville where Paul is an electrical engineer for O.C. Jean and Associates. He retired from NASA in 1984 as an electrical engineer. He has two children, Jeffrey and Jennifer, and one grandchild, Jan Campbell.

**James Stewart Nunnelly** of East Point, Ga., is construction management consultant, director and treasurer for Davis International, Inc. He and his wife, Joan, have two children, Carolyn who is married to **William V. Edmonds** '75, and Sharon. They also have four grandchildren.

**Bob Dishman** and his wife, Mary, live in Decatur where Bob is president of Dishman and Smith, Consulting Engineers. He has three sons, Michael, DVM, '85, David and Andrew '84.

**Charles T. Gilmer** owns and operates Gilmer Realty in Vernon and is retired from the U.S. Army. He and his wife, Marcelle, live in Sulligent and have two children, Cassandra and Charles, Jr.

**George Wilder Mitchell** is president of Valley Fir and Redwood Co., Inc. He lives in Columbus, Ga., and has four children—Jeanie Walker '79, Jean A. Koehler '84, Janet, and Tripp. He also has two grandchildren, Allison Leigh and Jon.

**Bob Word** of Scottsboro is president of Greensport Investments and a partner in the Sheratons in Mobile, Montgomery, and Natchez, Miss. Chairman of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education, he is also a director of Jacobs Bank in Scottsboro and Alabama State Chamber of Commerce and a member of the UAH School of Primary Medical Care Advisory Council. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have two children, Robert, III, '81, and Emily P. Word '83.

**Thomas Linwood Crowder, Jr.**, is associate broker with Coldwell Banker Realty in Albany, Ga. He lives in Leesburg, Ga., with his wife, Kathryn. They have two children, Thomas, III, and Lisa Maria.

**A. Meek Huey** of Wedowee has retired from teaching and writes that he is "enjoying retirement" and "visiting Auburn, too."

**Samuel B. Jones, Jr.**, and his wife, Carleen Arrington '54, live in Bishop, Ga., where he is a botany professor at the University of Georgia and Carleen is a high school biology teacher. They have three children, Velinda J. Younger, Valerie J. Hinsley, and Douglas S. Jones.

**Roberta Smith Hudgens** and her husband, William Howard Hudgens '55, live in Mobile. They have three children, Andrew, Russell '83, and Amy.

1956-1959

**Laura Diane Hodges** '56 received her Ph.D. in English from Rice University on May 11. Her dissertation was titled "Chaucer's Costume Rhetoric in His Portrait of the Prioress."



from Yale University. He is advisor to the Tech student chapter of the Society of American Foresters and is chairman of the Appalachian section of the Society of American Foresters.

1960

**Robert Howard Moody** and his wife, Bettie, live in Fruitland Park, Fla., with their children, Robert Howard, II, 17; Lara Elizabeth, 15; and Lisa Allison, 12. Robert is manager of interexchange customer service center for the United Telephone Company of Florida.

**William C. Stewart** is senior veterinarian for the Animal Care staff. He and his wife, Linda, live in Columbia, Md., and have three children—William Bradley, a graduate of the University of Iowa; Jeannie Elizabeth, and Clark Robert.

**William Manley Voigt** lives in Birmingham with his wife, Linda. They have two children, David, who attended Auburn and UAB, and Diane, 15. William became executive director of Birmingham Parking Authority on March 1. He earlier served on the board of directors and had been vice chairman for 13 years.

**Edward Owen Duke, Sr.**, of Mobile is pharmacist for KARE Pharmacy. He and his wife, Ann, have three children—Ward, Jr., who is in business school at Auburn; Ben, 16; and Brett, 13.

**Patsy Woodham Thomley** and her husband, Jerry Jackson Thomley '59, live in Birmingham. Patsy is assistant professor of law and director of admissions at Cumberland School of Law at Samford University, and Jerry is manager of power delivery and services for Alabama Power Co. They have three children—Martin Thomley '84, who is in medical school at UAB; William, an Auburn student; and Elizabeth, 17.

**Raymond Cantrell Styres** and his wife, Glenda Peters '61, live in Sylacauga where Raymond is corporate director of industrial engineering at Avondale Mills and Glenda is a teacher at the Alabama School for the Deaf. They have two daughters, Deborah Rae, who attends nursing school, and Amy Elizabeth, 17.

**Howard E. Palms** is vice president of corporate affairs for South Central Bell. He lives in Birmingham with his wife, Shirley. They have three children, Suzanne, Deborah, and Lydia P. Pledger.

**Gail Harrison Brockway** and her husband, Edwards Little Brockway, live in Birmingham where Edwards is project control engineer for Rust International. They have three daughters, Lisa L. Brockway '84; Tina, an Auburn student; and Amy, 12.

**Ray Henry Seewer** is a retired Internal Revenue agent for the U.S. Treasury Dept. He lives in Mobile with his wife, Virginia. They have four children—Sandra S. Ramey '66, Ernest E. Seewer, Deborah S. Watkins, and Roy J. Seewer.

**Peter Michael Kenyon** and his wife, Donna, live in Mobile. He has two children, Gia, who will be an Auburn freshman this fall, and Micheal, 14. Peter is senior vice president and manager of the international department of SouthTrust Bank and his wife is director of advertising and public relations for the Mobile store of D.H. Holmes Co. Ltd.

**Edward Allen Sullivan, Jr.**, is general manager of planning and acquisition for The Mitchell Co. in Mobile. He and his wife, Marilyn, have four children—Lynn, a junior at Auburn; Sandy, a sophomore at Birmingham-Southern; and Emil and Helen, both still in high school.

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**Jim Beason** is claims specialist for State Farm Insurance. He and his wife, Dot, live in Arley and have two daughters, Courtney and Kristi B. Burgett. He is on the board of the Jefferson County Auburn Club.

**James O. (Jim) Bendall** and his wife, Patricia, live in Birmingham where Jim is vice president of Bendall and Co., Inc. They have two children, Valerie B. Collier '85, and Alan Jeffrey '83.

**Marvin E. Brown** is engineering program planner for Lockheed Aircraft Co. He lives in Marietta, Ga., with his wife, Janice, and children, Jan, 18, and Jeffrey, 14.

**Col. Edward S. Bolen** is director of transportation at Robins AFB, Ga., for the U.S. Air Force Reserve. His son, Bill, is majoring in public administration at Auburn. Before his recent assignment, Col. Bolen had been stationed as deputy commander of air transportation, 436th Military Airlift Wing, at Charleston AFB, S.C.

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**Col. Wesley E. Jackson** of San Antonio, Tex., recently retired from the Air Force Veterinary Service at Randolph AFB, Tex., after 25 years.

**John M. Huie**, an agriculture economics professor at Purdue University who had been an

attorney. They have two children, Cynthia H. Strickland '82 who is married to David Strickland '80, and Michael Hart, 19.

**Helen Griffin Harrison** and her husband Dan, live in Enterprise where he is retired from the military. She has a son, John Redman, who also lives in Enterprise. Helen teaches first grade for the Enterprise City Schools.

**James Harris Hurst** is engineering supervisor for Monsanto Co. He and his wife Betsy, live in Decatur and have two sons, Jim Harris, who will graduate from Auburn in December; and Vernon, who will graduate from Birmingham-Southern in '88 and go on to medical school.

**Thomas Edward Mullis** of Winfield is sales engineer for Continental Conveyor. He and his wife, Frances, have two daughters, Mary Frances Burgess and Nina.

**Rochelle Moriss Davis** lives in Tallahassee, Fla., where she is a part-time instructor of college preparatory mathematics at Tallahassee Community College. Her husband, James, is instructor in humanities and music (choral). They have two children, Steven, who will start to Auburn in the fall, and Suzanne, 16.

**Frances Chappell Chancey** and her husband, Phillip Wayne Chancey '56, live in Union Springs. Phillip is Chairman of the Board of the American National Bank of Union Springs, president of Dixie L.P. Gas Co., Inc., and has a timber business. They have three children—Phillip, Jr., V. Caroline Chancey '85, and Chappell Bunyan.

**Charlie Frank Johnson** of Huntsville works for McDonnell Douglas after retiring from NASA in 1980. He and his wife, Janet, have five children—Jeff S. Johnson '75, Laurie J. Jacobs '79, Retha Blackburn, and Paula and Rhonda Blackburn, both Auburn students.

**William Roy Ashby** and his wife, Carolyn, have three children, William, Melissa, and Stacia. William works for the U.S. Government as a civilian with the Dept. of Defense as chief of Patriot Missile Systems in Orlando, Fla.

**Donald Thomas Bowers** has been farming for 14 years. He lives in Athens with his wife, Judy, who works with McDonnell Douglas.

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executive assistant to Indiana's governor since 1983, returned to the Purdue campus on July 1 to become executive assistant to the Purdue president. He and his wife, Emily, have two sons.

#### 1961-1964

**Michael F. Moseley** '61 of Montgomery is vice president of Andrew and Dawson Contractors. He is also a member of the Montgomery City County Joint Public Charity Hospital Board, Montgomery County Recreation Board, the Health Services, Inc., Board, and the Auburn Alumni Association Board of Directors. He and his wife, Brenda, have three children—Melanie, Monica, an Auburn Junior; and Michael, Jr.

**Jack W. Boykin** '61 of Montrose is new chairman of the Huntingdon College Board of Trustees.

**Joan Hail Bomar** '61 is a business realtor with Dobson & Johnson in Nashville, Tenn.

**Raymond A. Faircloth** '62 is Atlanta district manager for Mine Safety Appliances Co. of Pittsburgh. He has been with the company since 1969 and was named senior salesman in 1973.

**William G. Sewell, Sr.**, '62 of Bremen, Ga., is national sales manager of Sewell Manufacturing Co. He and his wife, Anne Davis, have three children, Mary Ethel '83, William, Jr., '83, and John, 16.

**Linda Ellis Bolton** '62 and her husband, Robert, live in Eugene, Ore., where Robert is president and owner of Atlas Cylinder, Inc. He has recently bought Lincoln Machine and Tool Co. in Decatur, and Linda writes they'll be spending some time in Alabama at the Decatur plant and she looks forward to renewing some Auburn friendships. They have two children, Sam, 13, and Sally, 12.

**B.N. (Ben) Davis** '63 is general manager of WestPoint Pepperell's Shawmut Apparel Yarn Plant in Valley. He and his wife, Charlotte, have three children—Penny, Peggy, an Auburn student; and Ben, III, 17.

**Harvey H. Burch** '64 is development manager for Daniel Realty in Birmingham. He and his wife, Mary Jo, who teaches in the Jefferson County Schools, live in Gardendale with their children, Julie, 16, and Cathy, 13.

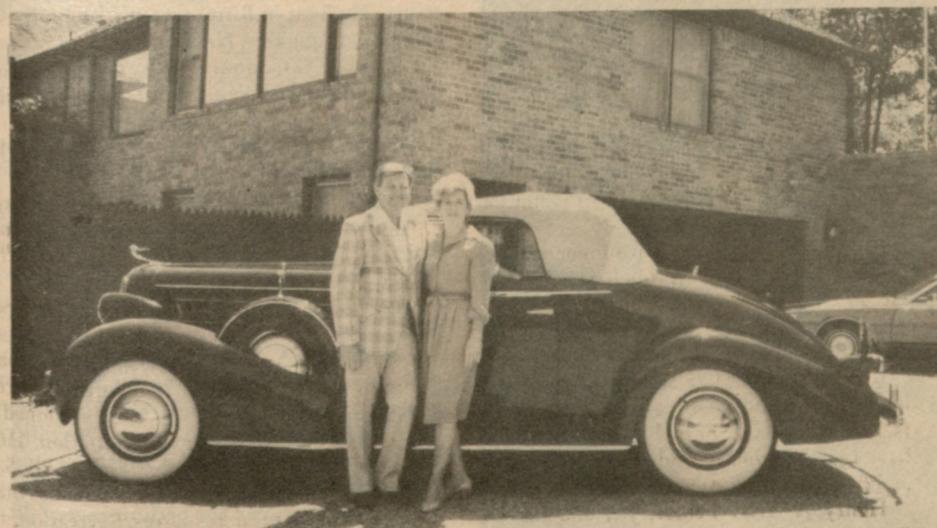
**Betty Wilson Schoenfeld** '64 of Montgomery is secretary to Jake Aronov, president of Aronov Realty Co. She has been named 1985 Secretary of the Year by the Montgomery Chapter of the Professional Secretaries International. She was also one of the five finalists for the Alabama Division 1985 Secretary of the Year.

**MARRIED:** Beverly Whitman Richard '64 to Sgt./Major Ronnie Inman. They are living in Germany.

#### 1965

**Michael L. Edwards** received the Doctor of Ministry from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary on May 24.

**Wade L. Ward, Jr.**, of Mobile is project manager for Finishing Reconfiguration with Scott Paper Co.



**GREAT AMERICAN RACE**—Darlene Lowe Riggan '66 and her husband, Lew, participated in the Great American Race, a time/speed/distance driver ability test beginning on June 24 in Los Angeles and ending on July 4 in New York City. The race emphasizes the American automobile heritage and features cars from 1936 back. The Riggans drove a 1936 Cadillac convertible that has been completely restored. Lew, a retired pilot and retired Air Force colonel, drove and Darlene navigated. They are co-owners of Riggan Enterprises, an Amway distributorship in Colleyville, Tex.

**William W. Renneker** is president of Renneker, Tichansky & Assoc., Inc., in Birmingham. He and his wife, Edith, have two children, Patricia Jean, 11, and William Walker, 7.

**Ted W. Bullard**, DVM, and his wife, Gayle, live in Dothan where Ted has a private practice since returning in 1984 from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, where he was staff veterinarian at King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Center for two years. He has three children—Mark and Carla, both students at Troy State, and Lynsey Anne, 1.

**Ben Franklin Smith** is deputy assistant inspector general for audits-State Department Foreign Service. He lives in Vienna, Va. His daughter, Joye, will be a sophomore at Auburn this fall.

**MARRIED:** Mary Elizabeth Caroline Brown to Joseph E. Vella on Nov. 17, 1985.

#### 1966

**Frank M. Clark** is new general manager of U.S. Steel's Clairton Works in Pittsburgh, Pa. He moved to Pittsburgh from Provo, Utah, and earlier was with the company's Gary, Ind., Works. He is a member of the Association of Iron and Steel Engineers, the American Institute of Mining Engineers, and the Western States Blast Furnace and Coke Plant Association.

**Hoke Vandy Harper**, president of Home Building and Supply Co., Inc., in Auburn, has been appointed a director of Central Bank of the South. He and his wife, Marie, live in Auburn and have one child.

**Corey Wilson Crouse** lives in Stone Mountain, Ga., with her husband, John, and children, Kelley, 15, and Robert, 10. She is a "professional volunteer" in the Atlanta area.

**Dr. James E. Hendrix** is new vice president of research and development for Springs Industries, Inc., in Fort Mill, S.C. He has been with Springs since 1978 after holding research and development posts with Milliken, FMC Corp., and Monsanto. He has an M.S. and Ph.D. from Clemson and has done postdoctoral research in flame retardant chemistry with the national Academy of Sciences.

**BORN:** A daughter, Hallie Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Kerry J. Farmer (Judy Turberville) on May 4 in Summerville, S.C.

#### 1967

**Cdr. Claude T. Rollen** and his wife, Terry Ann Harris '68, live in Titusville, Fla. Claude is Navy representative to McDonnell Douglas Corp. in Titusville.

**Jerald Theo Clinton** received his M.D. from the University of Alabama School of Medicine on June 2. A graduate of the University of Alabama School of Dentistry, he is interning in oral surgery at UAB.

**William A. Royal** is operations manager for Harbert International Services, a division of Harbert International, Inc., in Birmingham.

**James E. Bailey, Jr.**, is national sales manager for Bard Electro Medical Systems, Inc., a Fortune 500 company. He lives in Atlanta with his wife, Debbie.

**Milla McCord Sachs** and her husband, Tom, and two children are moving "home" to Guntersville from Carlsbad, Calif.

**Carol Warden Droeessler** is director of human resources for HNG Interstate in Winter Park, Fla. She lives in Orlando, Fla., with her husband, Bruce, a project manager with Martin-Marietta, and their daughters, Tracy, 15, and DeAnne, 12.

**Jerry L. Gantt** is senior accounts manager for CPF Communications in Jacksonville, Fla. He is also a commander in the Naval Air Reserve and serves as a department head for Volunteer Training Unit 7474 as NAS Jacksonville.

**Jeanne Swanner Robertson** of Graham, N.C., is a convention speaker and traveling humorist. She is president of the National Speakers Association.

#### 1968

**Virginia Speed Gilchrist** is an agent for the Montgomery County office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service where she has worked for thirty years. She and her husband, Arthur, have a son, Micheal, and two grandchildren, Sarah, 4, and Jennifer, 1. Mrs. Gilchrist was recently the subject of a feature in the *Alabama Journal*.

**Pete E. Pappanastos** operates his own consulting firm Quality, Inc., in Saratoga, Calif. Earlier he was a design engineer with IBM in San Jose and Memorex as well as Amdahl Corp. He frequently acts as a mediator in disputes between manufacturers and suppliers and is very interested in quality manufacturing, particularly of the sort advocated by W. Edwards Deming and others who influenced the Japanese production systems. Pete is married to Vicki Garin.

**W.R. McNair** has been named a Sloan Fellow at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**R. Terrence Rendleman** is vice president of maintenance and engineering at Republic Airlines in Minneapolis, Minn.

**James Richard Noel of Boaz** works for Gulf States Steel in Gadsden. He and his wife, Joan, have two sons, Stuart, an Auburn senior, and Blake, a high school sophomore and avid "War Eagle" fan.

**Maj. David K. Phillips** has completed the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College Regular Course at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. He and his wife, Lind, live in Potsdam, N.Y., where David will serve with the Army ROTC at Clarkson University.

**Mitzi H. Martin** graduated from Indiana University Law School summa cum laude on May 12. She is an associate with Baker and Daniels, the second largest law firm in Indianapolis.

**Jack Heidler** is director of personnel services for Oklahoma State University. He and his wife, Mary Williams, live in Stillwater, Okla.

**Thomas M. Donnell, Jr.**, is a partner in the law firm of Stewart, Estes & Donnell in Nashville, Tenn. He is married and has two children, Ramsey, 8, and Laura, 6.

**MARRIED:** Brenda A. Smith to John Sanborn. They live in Plymouth, Minn.

#### 1969

**J. DeWayne Gardner** has been named sales vice president for The Paul Revere Companies' eight-state Southern sales region. He and his family live in Alpharetta, Ga.

**Lt. Col. William M. McCrary** has been named commander of the Air Force ROTC detachment at Valdosta State College. He writes that he's "looking forward to returning south after three years at Loring AFB, Maine."

**J.L. Grant, Jr.**, is new vice president of manufacturing wovens at WestPoint Pepperell's Apparel Fabrics Division in New Braunfels, Tex. He has worked for the company since 1966 and in his most recent position was general manager of woven fabrics. He and his wife, Carolyn Elizabeth, and their children—Tara Celeste, 13, and Jefferson L., III, 10, have moved to New Braunfels from Lanett.

**Frank H. Bone** is a management analyst at Fort Campbell, Ky., and a major in the Army Reserve.

**Ronald M. Dykes**, an operations manager in the BellSouth financial management organization, has been named a Sloan Fellow by the Graduate School of Business at Stanford University for the 1985-86 year.

**Garnett Hinton Grubb** is the Buckhead District marketing supervisor for Georgia Power Co. He and his wife, Peggy, live in Kennesaw, Ga., with their sons, Jim, 13, and Jeff, 12.

**B.H. Fitzpatrick** is plant controller at Goodyear's Danville, Va., tire plant. He and his wife, Heidi, have two children, Steve, 7, and Grace, 5.

**Dr. Jay Loomis** of Huntsville has been named a Sloan Fellow at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**MARRIED:** Susan McIntosh Whatley '73 to David Emerson Housel on June 15 in Birmingham. The couple live in Auburn, where David is sports information director for the Auburn University Athletic Department.

**BORN:** A daughter, Wendi Clemons, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard George (Mary Ann Coleman) on Nov. 24, 1984. They live in Spring, Tex.

#### 1970

**Randy Giles** has been named the Alabama Bankers Association's Outstanding Young Banker for 1985. The ABA notes that "this prestigious award is given based on the recipient's contributions to his own bank and to the banking profession. The recipient must also be proven a good, sound banker and businessman, employing sound banking practices." Randy began his banking career in Huntsville in 1971, and has been a vice president with the First National Bank of Scottsboro since 1978. He is also president of the Alabama Young Banker's Section, becoming the first recipient in the 28-year history of the award to win while serving.

**Judith Gentle Hardy** is attending seminary at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga., working on a Master of Divinity degree. She is postulant for Holy Orders in the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta and plans to be ordained a priest after completing her seminary education and meeting the diocesan requirements for priesthood.

**John S. Russom, Jr.**, and his wife, Peggy McBee '73, are now living in Birmingham.

**Danny T. Hood, M.D.**, and his wife, Debra Kelley '71, live in Greenville where Danny is associated with the Stabler Clinic. They have two children: Kelley, 3, and Amy, 6. Danny is a member of the board of the Auburn Alumni Association.

**W. Michael Dollar** of Birmingham has been named controller of East Region operations of Teleco Oilfield Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Sonat, Inc. Michael joined Southern Natural Gas Co., also a Sonat subsidiary, in 1973 as a senior accountant. In 1976 he transferred to Sonat Offshore Drilling, Inc., where he progressed to manager of financial reporting and budgets, and was elected assistant vice president of Southern Natural Gas in 1981.

**Robert C. (Bobby) Keen** has been appointed regional account manager for Agri Business Group's Southeast Region. He will be responsible for sales and service in ABG's 10-state Southeastern region. Bobby is also a major in the U.S. Army Reserve, where he received the Army Commendation Medal for performance as Headquarters Company Commander of the 21st Support Command in California. He received his Ph.D. in ag economics from Purdue in May. He is married with one child.

**Curtis A. Roberts**, an assistant vice president of E.F. Hutton and manager of the 1700 Lincoln, Dever, Colo., office, has been named to the 1985 Edward F. Hutton Club. Only 24 of 400 E.F. Hutton managers received this honor. Curtis lives in Cherry Hill Village, Colo., with his wife, Cathy.

#### 1971

**Lynn Cauthen** is now Lynn McNeil of Thomson, Ga.

**Ronald Cole Porter, M.D.**, of Columbia, S.C., is associate professor of pediatrics with tenure at the University of South Carolina. He is residency training program director for the department of pediatrics at the USC School of Medicine.

**Frances Skinner (Pal) Reeves** of West Point, Ga., is co-vice chairman of the Skinner Corporation. She is also a trustee for Mercer University, director of the local Goodwill Board, and a clinical member of AAMET. Dr. Reeves and her husband, Charles M. Reeves, Jr., live in West Point, Ga., and have seven children—Michael McLane, Daniel McLane, Timothy McLane, Neil McLane, Michael Reeves, David Reeves, and Nancy R. Wheeler.

James T. Eubanks of Denver, Colo., is a partner in Dyson-Eubanks, a Denver-based software development company.

Maj. Steve Hanes and his wife, Nancy Burton '72, have been transferred to Montgomery where Steve is attending USAF Air Command and Staff College. They were previously stationed at Shaw AFB in Sumter, S.C., where Steve was an F-16 flight commander.

Dr. Raul A. Santo-Tomas is research professor librarian at the Law Library of the University of Miami in Coral Gables, Fla. His wife, Maria B. Santo-Tomas, is assistant professor and catalog librarian at the Richter Library of the University of Miami. They have two sons, Raul R. '74 and Roberto A. '81.

Joe Douglas Pearson and his wife, Emily Bowles '72, live in Moundville and have two sons, Matthew and Benjamin. Joe is vocational director of Hale County Area Vocational School and Emily owns and operates Parkview Nursery and Garden Center.

**BORN:** A son, Daniel, to Maj. and Mrs. Dennis Parkhurst of Austin, Tex., in March. Dennis is squadron commander of the 67th component repair squadron at Bergstrom AFB, Tex.

1972

Maj. James L. Richards of Universal City, Tex., will attend Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell AFB in Montgomery from August until June 1986.

Joseph W. Sloan, Jr., lives in Dothan where he is an engineer for Alabama Power Company's Farley Nuclear Plant.

Robert A. Garrett of Dallas, Ga., is senior water research scientist and in charge of hazardous waste operations for Clayton Environmental Consultants in Marietta. His work includes preliminary site investigations, development of closure plans, and administration and supervision of clean-up at abandoned and active landfills and surface impoundments. He usually works with business, etc., in relation to EPA and state regulatory agencies.

Wayne Vandiver is new sales manager for Inland Container Corp. of Macon, Ga. He and his wife, Terri, live in Columbus, Ga.

**BORN:** A daughter, Diana Kate, on May 9 to Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Lushington (Marsha Koppersmith). Kate joins brothers Ben, 12, and Danny, 11, in Tallahassee.

A son, Dixon, on February 5 to Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Clifton Davenport (Mary Ann Whitley) of Dalton, Ga. Cliff is a tax attorney and Mary Ann stays busy at home with Dixon and his brothers, Malcom, VI, 5, and McKenzie, 3.

A son, Lee Hunter, to Mr. and Mrs. John A. (Buzz) Bradberry, Jr., (Mary Barbara Sims '71) of Carson City, Nev., on Dec. 2, 1984. He joined John Robert, 8. Buzz is national accounts manager for the Western region with the American Buildings Co. of Eufaula.

A daughter, Lauren Elizabeth, on Dec. 20, 1984, to Mr. and Mrs. Phillip G. Cantrell (Donna Harris). They live in Dunwoody, Ga., where Phillip is senior vice president of marketing for Great Southern Mortgage Corp.

1973

C. Lee Pierson of Columbus, Ga., is president of Command Systems, Inc. He and his wife, Berkley, have a son, Justin.

Lindsey C. Boney, III, of Mobile has been named a partner in Deloitte Haskins & Sells, an international accounting firm. He is a frequent speaker and instructor at professional education seminars and is responsible for recruitment and college relations for the Mobile office. He is also treasurer of Mobile Preschool for the Hearing and Vision Impaired and is a family minister and choir member at Cottage Hill Baptist Church. He and his wife, Susan, have two sons.

Hillman R. Holland is president of the Georgia Chapter of Interior Designers.

Dr. W. Gerry Gilmer, director of university relations at Mississippi State University, has been named to the same post at Florida State University. He is also president of the Southern Public Relations Federation which has over 800 members from Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi, and has received national awards for his university work in television, publications, writing, and his innovative public relations programs. Before going to Mississippi State, he was assistant director of university relations at Auburn.

Robert C. Mayfield is division manager for the energy division of LBM Engineers-Constructors. His wife, Patricia Smith '72, is a flight attendant for Delta Airlines. They live in Duluth, Ga., and have a daughter, Kelly, 6.

Patricia Lea Rowe is now Patricia Bland of Birmingham.

**BORN:** A daughter, Leigh Beth, to Mr. and Mrs. Bayne Tippins (Mary Grenyo) of Gainesville, Ga., on May 14. She joins brother Scott, 11, and sister Julie, 9.

1974

Nancy Stephenson Whitten is a programmer/analyst for IBM in Bethesda, Md.

Marlene Saunders Mondragon lives in Tampa, Fla. Her husband, Vence, is brewmaster at Pabst Breweries. They have four children—Rachel, 10; Adrienne, 7; Vanessa, 5; and Brent, 4.

Robert H. Kay is living in Anniston where he is with McWhorter & Co., Inc.

Bobby S. Roberts is now living in Metairie, La., where he is president of Human Resource Management Services.

W.W. (Bill) Blackmon is now department head of the weaving, slashing, and grey inspection division at WestPoint Pepperell's Fairfax Manufacturing Mill in Valley. He has been with WestPoint Pepperell since June 1974, when he started as a test clerk. His previous job before the promotion was special projects engineer in weaving. He lives in Fairfax with his wife, Deborah, and three children—William O'Neal, 5; Leigh Anna, 4; and Jennifer Elizabeth, 1.

J. Walter Daniel has worked for Gold Kist, Inc., an agricultural cooperative, for the past 10 years. In April he was transferred to Gold Kist's home office in Atlanta and promoted to administrative assistant for the Peanut Division Manager. He writes, "I encourage all alumni to eat more peanuts!"

Raul R. Santo-Tomas has been promoted to a first lieutenant and is stationed at Howard AFB in Panama, Central America.

Col. James H. Martin has been assigned command of the 4441st Tactical Training Group at Eglin AFB, Fla. He was previously assigned to Shaw AFB, S.C.

Deborah Dominey Hatton is teacher/administrator for a project for visually-impaired preschoolers at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She lives in Cary, N.C., with her husband, Nicky and 2-year-old daughter.

David Williams, managing editor of the *Valley Times-News*, recently won first place in the Alabama Associated Press Association's contest for articles and pictures published in 1984. The two-part article, entitled "Coach: Life In A Pressure Cooker," was jointly written with former staff writer Bill Robinson.

J.R. (Jim) Ashburner, Jr., has been promoted to manager-quality control, towel manufacturing division of WestPoint Pepperell located in Fairfax. He was previously assistant manager at the Dixie Mill in LaGrange, Ga. Jim lives in Valley with his wife, Carol, and children, Jama Carol, 2, and James Robert, III, 10 months.



WEST GEORGIA AUBURN CLUB—Auburn president James E. Martin (center back) is pictured with the new officers of the West Georgia Auburn Club. From left are Ken Young '69, co-president; Hoyt Rogers '70, treasurer; Keener Lynn '78, vice president; Marty King Young '68, co-president; Dr. Martin; Judy Cowart Langford '71, advisor; Bill Yates '73, board member; Loretta Handley Baker '75, secretary; and Chris Joseph '73, advisor.

**BORN:** A daughter, Claire Victoria, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Maust (Deanna Tindal), on April 11. They live in Alpharetta, Ga., where Fred is southeastern regional manager for Kimberly-Clark's Health Care Products Group. Deanna is architectural specialist for Stratton Industries in Atlanta and acts as liaison to Breneau College for the Society of Interior Designers.

A son, Adrian Kyle, to Mr. and Mrs. John B. Rudd (Patricia Stephenson '75), of Mobile, on June 3. He joins brother Zane, 2. John is a technical consultant with Automation Technology in Mobile.

1975

B.L. (Bob) Crowder, Jr., is the department manager of carding, spinning, and winding at WestPoint Pepperell's Columbus, Ga., mill. He and his wife, Cathy, have two children: Jacob Joshua, 3, and Leah Suzanne, 1.

P. Joel Snider, an associate pastor of the Second Baptist Church in Memphis, Tenn., has published a book entitled *The "Cotton Patch" Gospel, The Proclamation of Clarence Jordan*, which analyzes the preaching ministry of the South Georgia interracial community founder.

David H. Dyson, associate vice president for planning and director of alumni affairs at Birmingham-Southern College, attended Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management July 7-Aug. 3, 1985. An alumnus of the Upsilon Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha at Auburn, Dave is president of the chapter's alumni association.

Kathi D. Salmon is a clinical pharmacist at O'Connor Hospital in San Jose, Calif. Last December she completed a MHP at San Jose State University.

Capt. Byron Lee Pitts, who just returned from Keflavik, Iceland, is now stationed at Moody AFB in Valdosta, Ga., where he flies the F4E as an aircraft commander.

Anne Marie Boozer Guevara and her husband, Joseph, live in Oklahoma City, Okla., where Anne teaches elementary stringed instruments in the Putnam City schools and plays in various music ensembles. They have two children—Carey Ann Cronin, 4½, and Joseph Anthony Guevara, 2 months.

B. Jolene Wood Trussell and her husband have moved to North Miami, Fla., where she is a full-time mother.

Nancy Devere Mackey is now Nancy M. Barganier and lives in Birmingham.

1976

Jeri Jay Laufenburg taught math and history last year at Cocoa Beach High School. She and her husband, who works on the space shuttle, have two children: Linzi, 4, and Lacee, 3.

Roberta Kessler Byrum of Wilmette, Ill., is now the second vice president of accounting policy and research at The Northern Trust Co. in Chicago.

Dr. Michael T. Baker is a consulting electrical engineer with Robert & Company Associates, a firm of architects, engineers and planners in Atlanta, Ga.

Leigh Ann Forman, a graduate of the University of Alabama School of Law, is a subrogation specialist at Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Alabama in Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mark Kramer (Ellen Kirby) live in Roswell, Ga. He works with his father at Kramer Corporation as a manufacturer's representative, and she stays busy with their 2½-year-old daughter, Elizabeth.

Pamela Dyas is now Pamela Dyas Vautier and lives in Mobile.

**MARRIED:** Cheryl Denise Jones to Tim Sanders.

Pam Wolf to Thomas F. Griffin on Jan. 19. They live in Winter Park, Fla., where he is a project architect for McCree, Inc., Architects and Contractors.

Ruth Gregg to Capt. Samuel W. Alexander on March 16. They live in Newport News, Va., and he works for the Naval Training Command programs office in Ft. Monroe, Va.

**BORN:** A daughter, Taylor Noelle, to Mr. and Mrs. Dale W. Barr (Katherine Nowell '75) on April 8. They live in Birmingham where he is a territory manager for American Greetings Corp. and she is an attorney for Southern Natural Gas Co. Mrs. Barr graduated cum laude from Cumberland School of Law on May 12 and also received a Master of Business Administration degree from Samford University May 11.

A daughter, Rebekah, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael R. Barefield. They live in Weaver.

A son, Brian Austin, to Mr. and Mrs. Larry W. Grovenstein, on Dec. 17, 1984. They live in Durham, N.C., where he works for General Telephone Co. of the Southeast.

1977

Capt. Linwood Moore is the assistant chief of pharmacy services at Walson Army Community Hospital in Fort Dix, N.J.

Mark S. Sparkman and his wife, Betty Douglass, are with the American Embassy in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. He is a consular officer with the Department of State and she is an administrative officer with the U.S. Coordinator for Emergency Relief office (USAID).

Marguerite L. Walker is now Marguerite W. Morris and lives in Shorter.

Cheryl Lynn Mays is now Cheryl M. Smith and lives in Auburn.

Teresa Schomburg is now Teresa S. Van De Bogart and lives in Arvada, Colo.

**MARRIED:** Laura Lowman Wynn to Robert D. Tonks. They live in Miami, Fla.

**BORN:** A daughter, Sara Anne, to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Johnson (Susan Neill) of Birmingham on March 4.

A son, Matthew Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. John Petcoff of Kansas City, Mo., in May. John is now capacity management analyst in charge of international flights for Transworld Airlines.

A son, Robert Priester, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kevin Bennett (Ann Priester) of Kingsport, Tenn., on May 1.

1978

Jeffrey B. Kirby is administrator of Meadowood Nursing Home, a 180-bed facility in Bessemer. He lives in Birmingham with his wife, Susan, and daughter, Nancy.

Patrick T. O'Connor is with Friedman, Haslam, Weiner, Ginsberg, Shearhouse & Weitz, Attorneys at Law, in Savannah, Ga.

Francis J. O'Donnell has moved to Westfield, N.J., where he is in international sales and marketing for High Performance Tube, Inc.

Keith O. Taunton and his wife, Judy Chandler, have moved to Wetumpka. Keith works for Longshore Group, Inc., a media development company in Montgomery, which works with 70 magazines.

Capt. Bruce A. Hanson has been decorated with the second award of the Air Force Commendation Medal at Sunnyvale Air Station, Calif., where he is a satellite operations officer. The Commendation Medal is awarded to those "who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties."

Brent E. Hill and his wife, Mary Zorn, have moved to Atlanta, Ga.

Lt. Mike Thornberry is serving at Whidbey Island Air Station, Wash., where he is a flight instructor.

Michael McDonald is construction/industrial sales representative for Hertz Equipment

Rental Corp., in Tulsa, Okla. He lives in Broken Arrow, Okla., with his wife, Julie Bass, and a son, John Michael.

**Arthur T. Powell, III**, has a private law practice in Mobile.

Ronnie Jones, his wife, Gail Sprayberry '80, and daughters, Kristen, 19 months, and Candace, 6 months, were named Alabama Farm Bureau's Outstanding Young Farm Family in 1983. They live in Mentone in DeKalb County where they farm 920 acres.

**Patricia M. Rutledge** is assistant county supervisor for the Farmer's Home Administration in Geneva County. She lives in Opp.

Billy Thrash and his company, Deep Sea Foods and Poly Tech of Bayou La Batre, are producing a revolutionary fish paste known as Surimi. Surimi is made from Alaska pollock and Gulf Coast croaker and is used for simulated crab legs and imitation shrimp. Billy worked for nearly three years with the Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation developing the product at Alaska Pacific Seafoods in Kodiak, Alas., before opening his own company, which produces an average of 1,000 pounds of Surimi per week.

**BORN:** A daughter, Casey Lane, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Cooper (Cynthia Smith), of Birmingham, on April 30.

A son, Robert Ryan, to Mr. and Mrs. Mark R. Harwell of Roswell, Ga., on April 11.

A son, William Charles, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Ledbetter (Susan French '79) of Toombsboro, Miss., on April 8. Charles is a forestry consultant and Susan is assistant controller for First United Bank in Meridian, Miss.

A daughter, Jennifer Leigh, to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald R. Cofer (Melisa Dyess '79) of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., on March 13. She joins sister Christen, 2½.

A son, Ryan James, to Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Stelly (Susan Shahan), of Ft. Bragg, N.C., on Feb. 5, 1985.

1979

**Harvey Glance** was recently honored as one of 19 Alabama Olympians present at the 1985 Alabama sports festival held at Samford University. The festival featured more than 3,900 high school athletes from around the state in 20 different events.

**Michael Clifford Watts** is now an account manager for Marketing Specialists, Inc., of Birmingham. He lives in Homewood.

**Susan O'Rear Phillips** lives in Birmingham with her husband, Jim. They are expecting their first child in October.

**Henry Burns Hene** is an engineer with the Yeargen Construction Co., in Greenville, S.C. He recently completed a project as construction manager in Amarillo, Tex.

**Charles Edward Smith, Jr.**, assistant vice president of AmSouth Bank in Opelika, recently graduated from the School of Banking of the South at Louisiana State University. The school includes three consecutive years of two-week summer sessions at LSU and extensive at-home study. He and his wife, Dawn Thomas, have a daughter, Ashley Rose.

**Michael Paul Seyfried** and his wife, Lorraine Pottinger '82, live in Mobile where Michael has a family practice at South Alabama Medical Center.

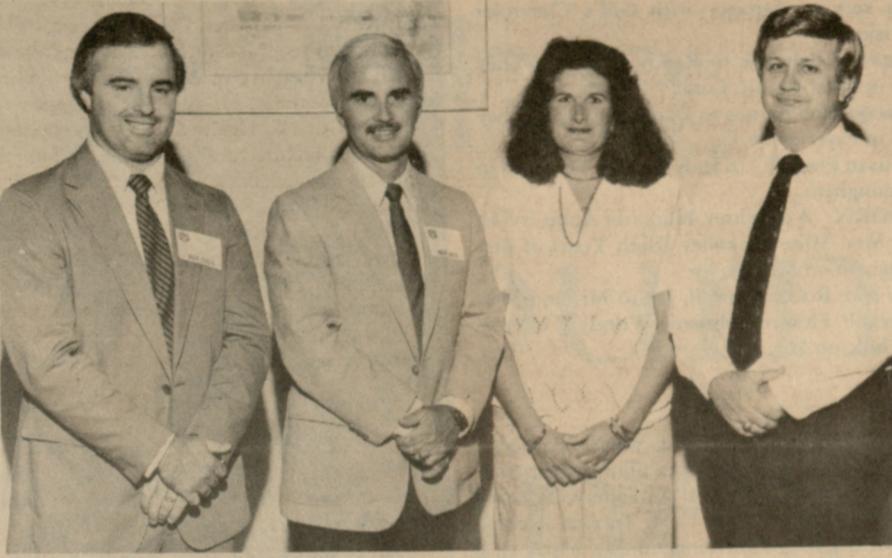
**Keith Martin Cox** works for Universal Health Services Inc., as chief financial officer for the Bridgeway Hospital in Little Rock, Ark. His wife, Ann, is an operating room nurse at Arkansas Children's Hospital.

**Capt. Larry J. Henderson**, commander of the 12th Organizational Maintenance Squadron, Randolph AFB, Tex., was recently awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for outstanding non-combat service to the United States.

**2/Lt. John A. Hambleton, Jr.**, has graduated from Air Force pilot training and has received his silver wings at Laughlin AFB, Tex. He is scheduled to serve with the 919th Special Operations Group at Eglin AFB, Fla.

**Holly Anne Wilson** has moved from Mobile to New Bern, N.C., where she is an air traffic control specialist with the Federal Aviation Administration.

**MARRIED:** Leah Strickland to Joseph R. Warren on April 20. Joe is assistant athletic director and aquatics director for the City of Auburn.



**DALLAS COUNTY**—Pictured at the recent meeting of the Dallas County Auburn Club are officers, from left, John B. Morris '76, past president; Charles H. Morris, III, '67 incoming president; Martha Lee Chisolm '70, secretary; and William C. Porter '66, treasurer.

**BORN:** A son, Charles P. Oliver, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Oliver (Lucy Coughlin '81) on May 16. They live in Carmel, Ind., and write that "even though our first child was born a Hoosier, he'll be raised as a War Eagle."

A son, Bryan Joel, to Mr. and Mrs. Sirmon (Patricia Bryan) on November 28. He joins sister Jennifer in Daphne.

A son, Jon Rhodes, to Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas McDonald (Jeanie Mitchell) on February 14 in Winder, Ga. He joins Allison Leigh, 2. Jeanie is a loan officer with North Georgia Farm Credit Service, and Tommy is a procurement forester with Georgia-Pacific Corp.

1980

**Will O. (Trip) Walton, III**, has joined the Auburn law firm of Harper and Meadows. Before joining the Auburn firm, he was deputy district attorney in Montgomery with the 15th Judicial Circuit of Alabama. In 1984 he was recognized for his professional and personal achievements by being named an Outstanding Young Man of America.

**Mitzi L. Minor** received a Master of Divinity from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in May.

**Anne Michele Hoppenjans** is a pharmacist with Eckerd Drugs in Mobile.

**T. Richard Arch** has recently moved from Miami to Atlanta, where he is a financial planner for Glass Financial Group in Buckhead. His wife, **Melissa Haynes**, is an administrative assistant for American Honda Motor Co. in Alpharetta. They have a 2-year-old son, Brandon.

**Dave S. Harris** lives in Atlanta where he is a registered representative with The Equitable Financial Services. His wife, **Kim Gorby '81**, is a marketing support representative for Microbilt Computers.

**Lt. Thomas Vincent Reiff** is stationed at the Naval Electronic Systems Engineering Center in Charleston, S.C.

**John W. Orrison** received a master's degree in business administration from the Harvard Business School in June. He is working as business development manager for Seaboard System Railroad.

**Brannon Terrel Shaddix** of Lanett received a master's degree in education from CBN University at Virginia Beach, Va., on May 18.

**Glenn Paxton Campbell** is assistant director of international sales for AMF Bakery Systems Division in Richmond, Va.

**George Seaton Hamilton** has begun his Ph.D. work in biomedical engineering at UAB. His specialty will be design, test, and manufacture of orthopedic implants and replacement joints.

**James Lee Bryan** works for Amoco Production Co. in New Orleans.

**MARRIED:** Susan Renee Ruffin to Elvin Ray Freeman. They live in Laurel, Miss.

**Suzanne Bainbridge** to Michael F. Hawkins. They live in Birmingham.

**Colleen M. Murray '83** to **Robert E. Meeks** on May 25. They live in Anniston where Rob works as assistant county Extension agent for Calhoun County.

**Pamela Elizabeth King** to **William Guy Arledge** on April 6. They live in Dunwoody, Ga., where Pam is a public relations manager for Southern Bell and Guy is in advertising for Southern Bell.

**BORN:** A daughter, Vivian Pauline, to Mr. and Mrs. Issa Alberto Kalil of Houston, Tex., on March 7.

A son, Daniel Ethan, to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Wells (Laurie Conn) of Fairborn, Ohio, on Jan. 24. He joins brother, Andrew, who is 2. In October 1984 Laurie was promoted to captain in the Air Force and received a master's degree in Engineering Physics from the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) in December. She is now at AFIT working on her Ph.D.

1981

**Randy P. Maxwell** is a registered architect with Clemens, Bruns and Schaub, Architects & Associates in Pensacola, Fla.

**John McNutt** is a special agent with Southern Railway Services, Police and Special Services, Tennessee Division, Memphis, Tenn.

**Lt.(jg). Robert Paul Walden** has completed the 52nd Strategic Deterrent Patrol on board the fleet ballistic missile submarine USS Lewis and Clark, SSBN 644. He is stationed in Charleston, S.C.

**William H. Fargason, III**, lives in Mobile with his wife, **Laurie Grimes**. Bill is a construction project manager and Laurie is a kindergarten teacher.

**Gregory Harris** and his wife, **Nancy Yarbrough '82**, live in Austin, Tex., where they both work for Texas Instruments. Greg is a facilities planning engineer and working on his MBA, and Nancy is an industrial engineer working with artificial intelligence computer assembly.

**Miriam Slate Hall** and her husband, **Dr. James Edwin Hall '79**, have moved to Honolulu, Hawaii.

**Beth C. Jones** just completed a film with Sissy Spacek, to be released in October. She is now based in North Carolina and is working in theatre for the summer.

**Vernice Boyd Selby, Jr.**, is just beginning his 6th Strategic Deterrent Patrol and recently qualified as SSBN Poseidon Weapons Officer. He intends to leave the Navy in December and work in private industry.

**Dennis Findley** received his master's degree from Harvard graduate school of design on June 6.

**Ira Don Williamson** is now with Heartland Vet Clinic in Elizabethtown, Ky.

**Jeff T. Hendrick** received his architectural registration in June 1984 and is now a project architect with Thompson, Ventulett, Stainback and Associates in Decatur, Ga.

**Roberto A. Santo-Tomas** has joined the faculty of Florida International University in Miami, Fla., as adjunct professor in physical geology.

**Beverly Jean McAdams** is now Beverly M. Miller. She lives in Birmingham.

**1/Lt. Joseph M. Burns** has graduated from Squadron Officer School at Maxwell AFB in Montgomery. He studied communication skills,

international relations, and manpower management and has been assigned at Eglin AFB, Fla.

**Suzanne Eidson** is now Suzanne Wegmann. She is living in Opelika.

**John Preston Laumeyer** will begin working on his MBA at UCLA this fall. But, he asks, "How do you study financial theory when it's 75 degrees outside and the surf's up?"

**Patricia Ann Stoops** has been working with Real Estate Financing, Inc., in Montgomery for the past two years.

**Denise L. Whitlock** has been chosen to work in the executive office of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., Certified Public Accountants, in New York City. She will work for a one-year period in the computer audit specialist area.

**MARRIED:** Susan Meredith Brown to Frank B. Taffe on April 20, 1985. They live in Orlando, Fla. Susan is a pharmacist for Eckerd Drugs in Winter Park.

**Elizabeth Ann Frey** to Charles Steven Hodges. They live in Dunwoody, Ga.

**Cherie Lynn Osborn** to Tim Allen McCain on June 22. Cherie works with the Chambers County Board of Education and Tim is with the Biscuit House Corp. of Atlanta, Ga.

**Cynthia Anne McCray** to John A. Looney in May. They live in Birmingham.

**Celia Ann Crawford** to McLendon W. Jenkins, Jr., on Mar. 24, 1984. They live in Columbus, Ga., where Celia is an interior designer and space planner for Ivan Allen Office Products.

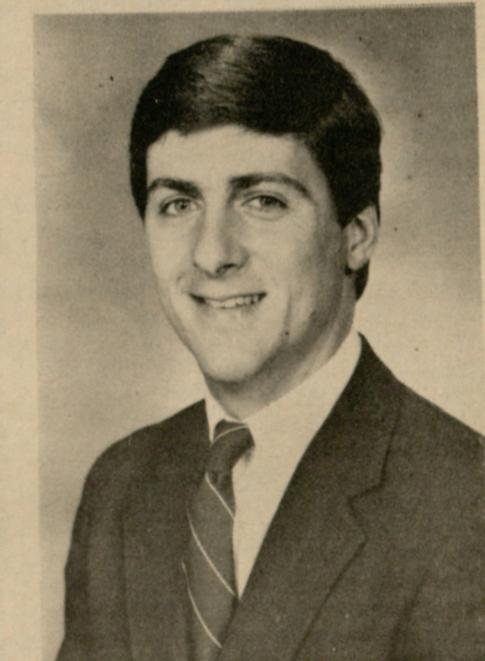
**Lt.(jg). Stephanie Anne Mellin** to Keith G. Douglas in September 1984. They live in Charleston, S.C., where Stephanie is stationed at the Charleston Naval Shipyard as a ship superintendent on submarine overhauls.

**BORN:** A daughter, Elizabeth Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Trey Johnston (Teresa Johnson) on Sept. 11, 1984. She joins a sister, Lauren Lee, 2.

A daughter, Kelly Cook, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. O'Connor, III, (Allie Carmen Cook '79) on Oct. 9, 1984. A lieutenant in the Navy, Thomas achieved the status of missile commander for P-3 anti-submarine aircraft in March 1985 while deployed in Keflavik, Iceland.

A son, Jeffrey Albert, Jr., to Capt. and Mrs. Jeffrey Albert Shelley (Tami Bryan) on May 1, 1985. They live in England where Jeff Sr. is stationed at Alconbury, RAFB.

A daughter, Ashley Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Joel Butterworth (Carol Baldwin) on May 16, 1985. They live in Birmingham where Chris is a commercial property underwriter with Aetna Life and Casualty, and Carol has been promoted to assistant advertising manager for Pizitz Department Stores. Proud grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. William P. Baldwin '57 of Huntsville.



**FELLOWSHIP**—Frank Charles Dolbow '83 has recently won a Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship. He will use the \$6000 fellowship to study business administration at the University of Virginia. An accounting graduate, he has worked for the firm of Deloitte, Haskins & Sells in Birmingham since graduation. Frank was one of fifty students to receive the fellowships out of 172 nominees. Phi Kappa Phi is the highest scholastic honor society on the Auburn campus and has chapters at 240 colleges and universities.



area service manager with GM's Chevrolet Division.

Joanne Babcock to Randy K. Friar. They live in West Mystic, Conn.

Jacqueline Barnes to Danny Balenger. They live in Fayetteville, Ga.

Susan Flach '83 to Jody Pddy. They live in Birmingham.

**BORN:** A daughter, Margaret Anne, to Dr. and Mrs. Mike Miskelley (Beth Yost) of Birmingham on May 17.

A son, Robert Powell, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Flowers (Melanie Wood) of Columbia, Md., on May 6.

1983

Air National Guard 2/Lt. Wayne F. Cook has graduated from Air Force pilot training and received his silver wings at Williams AFB, Ariz. He is serving with the 117th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing at Birmingham Municipal Airport.

Ens. Phillip W. Parker has been designated a Naval aviator and received his Wings of Gold on May 28.

Len R. Pace was commissioned a second lieutenant upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is serving at Columbus AFB, Miss.

Diane Lively of Atlanta has been promoted to assistant account executive for Cohn & Wolf, the largest public relations firm in the Southeast. She previously worked as press secretary for Albert McDonald and as press intern for U.S. Rep. Ronnie G. Flippo.

Airman Richard R. Pope completed Air Force basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex., and is assigned to Lowry AFB, Colo., for specialized intelligence training.

Karen Leigh Hill is a semiconductor sales engineer with Texas Instruments in Oceanside, Calif.

Alisa L. Harmon of Birmingham has been promoted to senior staff auditor for the Corporate Services Division of AmSouth Bank N.A.

William Benjamin Mikel is a research assistant at Mississippi State University. His responsibilities include meat research and coaching the meat judging team. He plans to complete his master's in December and start on a Ph.D. in January.

Linda Carolyn Langston is an industrial engineer at Eglin AFB in Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., working with the AMRAAM program.

Michael B. Webb is with Multi Amp Corporation in Dallas, Tex.

2/Lt. Dan T. Norman, a pilot with the 1401st Military Airlift Squadron, has been assigned to Barksdale AFB, La. He previously served at Vance AFB, Okla.

2/Lt. Stanley E. Grant, Jr., has graduated from Air Force pilot training and received his silver wings at Columbus AFB, Miss. He is serving with the 1400th Military Airlift Squadron at Norton AFB, Calif.

David W. Brown, DVM, has opened a new practice in Oak Ridge, Tenn., called Companion Animal Hospital.

M.G. (Mike) Tittle has been promoted to production planning coordinator at WestPoint Pepperell's Bond Cote, Inc., in Pulaski, Va. Previously, he had been a research engineer in the Chemical Department at Research Center, Valley, Ala.

Gena Melton Ray is now Gena Ray Cranford.

Capt. Richard A. Rowe is serving at Hanscom AFB, Mass., where he is chief of the Software Division Branch with the Electronic Systems Division.

**MARRIED:** Amy Elizabeth Gaddis to H. Scott Singletary on Dec. 15, 1984. They live in Macon, Ga., where she works for Trust Company Bank.

**BORN:** A daughter, Haley Marie, to Mr. and Mrs. John A. Holmes of Richmond, Va., on Jan. 4, 1985.

1984

Capt. Ronnie J. Barnes has completed the Army's veterinary officer orientation course at the Academy of Health Sciences at Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

Ens. Kevin R. Kurtz has been designated a Surface Warfare Officer. He received the Gold SWO Insignia at Surface Warfare Officer's School Command Detachment Coronado, San Diego, Calif., in June.

Ens. Rey S. Consunji completed the Aviation Pre-Flight Indoctrination School at NAS Pensacola, Fla., on May 18.

Charles Thomas Bartholomew has moved to Dallas, Tex., where he is a sales engineer with American Cast Iron Pipe Company.



**OKINAWA, JAPAN AUBURN CLUB?**—This group of Marines with Auburn connections currently stationed on Okinawa have organized themselves into one of Auburn's most farflung alumni clubs. Pictured at their most recent dinner party meeting are from left: 1/Lt. Ray Jones '70, 1/Lt. Tim Szendel '81, Maj. Vic Kelley '69, Lt. Col. John O'Leary (Marine ROTC instructor at Auburn 1979-1982), 1/Lt. Mark Hines '81, 1/Lt. Ed Lutz '81, and 1/Lt. Nan Johnson '82.

1985

Edward H. Linch, III, has been assigned to the 323rd Flying Training Wing, undergraduate navigator training, at Mather AFB, Calif.

Jennifer Kay Haffner is now Jennifer H. Flynn.

David Gordon Elder has a graduate research assistantship in the Department of Computer and Information Science at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst beginning in the fall. He will be studying brain theory and artificial intelligence.

Ens. Karl J. Greene has completed the Aviation Pre-Flight Indoctrination School at Pensacola NAS, Fla.

**MARRIED:** Susan Virginia (Ginger) Owens to Brian Harris. They live in Auburn where Brian is completing his degree and Ginger works for the Lee County Council of Governments.

Mary Lee Laster to James C. Stanley, Jr. They now live in Mobile.

Alumni News

**A FIRST**—Kim Kilpatrick Johnson '84 of Luverne was recently named the winner of a national professional paper contest co-sponsored by Marsh and McLennan, Inc., and the American Society of Safety Engineers. Kim, who graduated in December, is the first Auburn student to ever win the contest, in which undergraduate students from all over the country compete. The papers are judged on relevance to safety issues, technical accuracy, quality of writing, and feasibility. Kim's paper, "Analytical Report on Causes and Prevention of Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (CTS)," will be published in *Professional Safety*, the magazine of the American Society of Safety Engineers. CTS is a common wrist problem among workers who do repetitive industrial tasks such as working on an assembly line. Kim currently works for the DANA Corp. in Montgomery.

A son, Clifton Edward, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Dever (Laura Hood) on Apr. 20, 1985. They live in Terre Haute, Ind., where Tom is a beverage distributor and Laura is a social worker.

1982

Capt. James Harrison Alton, II, of Nashua, N.H., is an electronics engineer with the Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System for the Air Force Electronic Systems Division.

Ambrose (Rowdy) Gaines recently was honored at the 1985 Alabama Sports Festival at Samford University. The winner of three gold medals at last year's Olympics, he was one of 19 Alabama athletes to be honored.

Michael Anthony Babb lives in Montgomery with his wife, Diana, and his daughter, Christen. He is a sales representative with the Standard Register Co.

Jeffrey O'Neal Wise of Birmingham is expecting his first child to be born in December.

Mary Elizabeth Dietz has returned to Auburn University and is starting her senior year in the School of Nursing.

Col. William E. Pickens, III, was awarded the Legion of Merit, the nation's fifth highest medal, in a retirement ceremony held at the Pentagon culminating 22 years of military service. The Legion of Merit is awarded for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service to the United States.

Melinda Burgin was recently licensed as a Certified Public Accountant by the State of Georgia and works for the firm of Bates, Buie, Lindsay, Evans, and Rabon of Myrtle Beach. Melinda is married to Lt. Richard T. Gunnels '81, a pilot in the 353rd Tactical Fighter Squadron at Myrtle Beach Air Force Base where he flies the A-10 Thunderbolt II aircraft.

1/Lt. John V. Taylor, IV, has entered the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, to study for a master's degree in astronautical engineering.

1/Lt. John M. Pedersoli is stationed at Ramstein Air Base in West Germany where he is a weapons systems officer with the 86th Tactical Fighter Wing.

Kinn Webb is with Dick Webb Agency, Inc., Insurance in Birmingham.

H.L. (Trey) Hite, III, has been promoted to projects engineer in the Industrial Engineering Department at WestPoint Pepperell's Fairfax Finishing Plant in Valley, Alabama.

Henry H. Armstrong, III, is manager of the Phipps-Lenox office of Fulton Federal Savings and Loan Association in Atlanta.

**MARRIED:** Amy Betz to Michael P. Jones on June 1. They live in Huntsville where Mike is

Amzed N. Qashou is living in the United Arab Emirates where he works for Engineering Corp.-Drawing Office.

Bettina E. Prichard is now Bettina Prichard Elmore. She and her husband are living in Jacksonville, Fla.

Janet Roberts is an analyst for Texas Instruments in Johnson City, Tenn.

1/Lt. Glen H. Walker, II, has completed a signal officer basic course at the Army Signal School at Fort Gordon, Ga.

Alphonso Thomas has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force after graduating from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex. He is serving at Los Angeles AFS, Calif.

Carolyn LaVon Jones is a CPA for Ernst & Whinney in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mary Alvis is now Mary A. Hagler.

Anne Virginia Rowland of Atlanta is an auditor with the U.S. Dept. of Transportation's Office of the Inspector General.

Paul D. Massey is a chemical engineer with NuTech in San Jose, Calif.

Debbie Denise Howdyshell is a flight attendant with Delta Airlines out of Boston.

2/Lt. Barry S. Thornton has been assigned duty at Minot AFB, N.D. He is a missile combat crew commander with the 91st Strategic Missile Wing.

Robert E. Bamberg has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Force after graduating from Officer Training School. He is serving at Laughlin AFB, Tex.

Mary Wilson Filer is now Mary Postlewaite. She and her husband are living in Urbana, Ill.

2/Lt. Lorie L. Coats has graduated from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex., and been assigned to Eglin AFB, Fla.

Cynthia Lynn Kilgore teaches second grade at Lincoln (Ala.) Elementary School. She writes, "After one year I know I'll probably be a teacher forever!"

Jana Michelle Holt is now Jana Holt Adams.

Timothy T. Weaver is an agribusiness teacher at Coffee Springs (Ala.) School.

**MARRIED:** Linda E. Pugh '83 to A. Hunter Anderson. They are living in Portsmouth, Va.

Theresa Marie Varn to 2/Lt. Joseph C. Cansler. They are living overseas.

Lisa Pinson to Kevan Hunter Hall. They live in Lafayette, La.

Susan Elizabeth Troxel to John Blaine Anderson on Dec. 15, 1984. They live in Huntsville where Blaine is an engineer at the NASA-Marshall Space Flight Center.

Kathleen Anne Knestrick to Walter H. (Hal) Guest. They live in Nashville, Tenn.

Cheryl Denise Crook '83 to John M. Thompson on March 23, 1985. They live in Newnan, Ga., where John is working with Ivan Allen Office Supplies and Cheryl is shipping and receiving manager at Southern Mills.

Carolyn Dani O'Connor to Brad L. Berryhill. They live in Birmingham.

Susanna Leigh Peace to James Crawford, Jr. They live in Huntsville.